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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

\*Absent.

1834—Nelson Head *	1867—H. Monroe Strickler.
1837—William G. Eggleston.*	1868—David Bush.
1842—J. Hoffman Waugh.*	Asbury R. Martin.
1844—Samuel K. Cox.	Henry H. Kennedy.
1846—Robert Smith.	William H. D. Harper.
1848—Charles G. Linthicum.	Lewis G. Martin.
John T. Wightman.*	1869—Frazier Furr.
1853—James E. Armstrong.	George T. Tyler.
James S. Gardner.	William O. Ross.
Thomas E. Carson.	Henry D. Bishop.*
Hamilton A. Gaver.*	Francis H. Shipley.
Ephriam L. Kregelo.*	1870—Jefferson W. Duffey.
1854—Robert R. S. Hough.	John S. Hutchinson.
1855—James H. Wolff.	1871—William E. Miller.
Francis A. Mercer.*	Beverly W. Bond.
1856—Philip S. E. Sixeas.*	Hamilton W. Kinzer.
Saul B. Dolly.	Asbury C. McNeer.
Joseph J. Engle.*	Thomas Cooper.
Rumsey Smithson.	1872—Frank A. Strother.
1857—Aaron Boon.*	Sydnor G. Ferguson.
James S. Porter.	John C. Sedwick.
1858—A. Poe Boude.	Lewis L. Lloyd.*
J. Hervey DuLany.	Oliver C. Beall.
1859—John W. Canter.	Lafayette Fox.
Thomas Briley.	Quincy A. Wheat.*
William Hedges.	J. W. Bain.
Lewis H. Graybill.*	1873—James T. Williams.
Larkin H. Crenshaw.*	1874—J. Robert Andrew.
Sylvanus Townsend.	J. Frederick Baggs.
1860—Lewis R. Jones.	Thomas G. Nevitt.
John P. Hyde.	Oscar F. Burges.
Leonidas Butt.	Charles E. Simmons.
J. Lester Shipley.	Rufus M. Wheeler.
1861—Lemuel W. Haslup.	1875—James H. Boyd.
Peter H. Whisner.	Andrew M. Cackley.
Adam Q. Flaherty.*	Henry S. Coe.
Charles A. Joyce.	Luke R. Markwood.
1863—Allen A. P. Neel.*	William B. Dorsey.
1864—Joseph J. Crickenberger.*	J. Kyle Gilbert.
Charles L. Dameron.	William Melville.
Addison Weller.	1876—George T. D. Collins.
1866—John T. Maxwell.	J. Latimer Kibler.
William A. McDonald.	William E. Woolf.
John A. Kern.*	John H. Davidson.
Isaac W. Canter.	1877—William H. Woolf.
Benjamin F. Ball.	German O. Homan.
James R. Van Horne.	Jacob S. Hopkins.
1867—Rufus H. Wilson.*	John C. Jones.
Walter W. Watts.	Henry P. Hamill.
Thomas W. Brown.	1878—John A. Anderson.

- 1878—William H. Sanders.  
 1879—James W. Grubb.\*  
     David F. Eutsler.  
     W. P. Conway Coe.  
     John O. Tackett.  
 1880—Collins Denny.  
     John C. Thrasher.  
     Henry A. Brown.  
     Charles M. Hawkins.  
 1881—John W. Mitchell.  
     Simpson V. Hildebrand.  
     Frank T. Griffith.  
     J. Edgar Wilson.  
 1882—James M. Hawley.  
     David L. Reid.  
     Charles W. Mark.  
     Charles B. Sutton.  
 1883—James L. Henderson.  
     George D. White.  
     James M. Greene.  
 1884—Forrest J. Prettyman.  
     Clarence L. Kennard.  
     William L. Dolly.  
     John H. Light.  
     John O. Knott.  
     John H. Kuhlman.  
     C. Harry Buchanan.  
 1885—James P. Stump.  
     William A. Sites.  
     Hamilton M. Roane.  
     Henry I. Stephens.  
     Peter W. Jeffries.  
 1886—Thomas J. Lambert.  
     William H. Ballangee.  
     Christopher Sydenstricker.  
     Samuel A. Parker.  
     George R. Mays.  
 1887—Norman N. Hall.  
     Thomas J. Miller.  
     Charles D. LeFew.  
     John R. Tillery.  
 1888—William M. Waters.  
     Charles K. Millican.  
     William F. Locke.  
     Carlton D. Harris.\*  
     Charles S. Stanton.  
 1889—Jacob M. Eavey.  
     Harry L. Myerly.  
     David L. Blakemore.  
     Samuel M. Bowman.  
 1890—William L. Smith.  
     Alfred B. Sites.  
     John W. Beall.  
     William H. H. Joyce.  
     William T. Gover.  
     John S. Engle.  
 1890—Isaac G. Michael.  
     John H. Wilhite.  
     James M. York.  
 1891—William H. Marsh.  
     Robert L. Fultz.  
     Charles M. Sarver.  
     John C. Hawk.  
     J. Howard Wells.  
     Oscar W. Lusby.  
 1892—William S. Hammond.  
     John H. Schooley.  
     Henry L. Hout.  
     John W. McNeil.  
     Frank L. Day.  
 1893—B. Lee Parrott.  
     Harrah M. Reed.  
     James H. Smith.  
     William J. Whitesell.  
     Henry A. Wilson.  
     Homer T. Heironimus.  
 1894—Eldridge V. Regester.  
     James M. Anderson.  
     Charles W. Moore.  
     Frederick A. Gains.  
     Daniel M. Brown.  
     Levi B. Atkins.  
     William Stevens.  
     Linwood Hammond.  
     Chas. Lynch.  
 1895—John H. Dills.  
     William D. Keene.  
     John B. Henry.  
     Charles D. Bulla.  
     Homer H. Sherman.  
     George H. Echols.  
     M. Preston Weikle.  
     Josiah J. Ringer.  
 1896—William E. Henry.  
     Charles H. Cannon.  
     David H. Kern.  
     John R. Jacobs.  
     George W. Richardson.  
     Grayson D. Kidner.  
     Charles L. Potter.\*  
 1897—Alfred L. Harnsberger.  
     Wallace O. Tolbert.  
     Frank A. Tyler.  
     George W. Bogle.  
     William H. Best.  
     Harry M. Canter.  
     Robert L. Eutsler.  
     George K. Heydrick.  
 1898—Howard A. Murrill.  
     Daniel W. Griffin.  
     Seymour Grady.  
     Total.....211

**LAY REPRESENTATIVES.**

\*Absent.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT—Oliver L. Rhodes, George N. Numsen, James P. Haslup, Charles W. Prettyman.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT—Charles N. Hamilton, William D. Smith, Charles E. Beidler, George D. C. Townsend.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT—David L. Coon, Frank J. Pollard, George W. Laycock, Joseph A. Hutchinson.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT—Isaac N. King, Lewis T. Stoneburner, George W. Larrick, Aden C. Nadenbousch.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT—D. H. Lee Martz\*, Hubert L. Koontz, Edward B. Lipscomb, John S. Richey.

ROANOKE DISTRICT—Tipton T. Fishburne, William M. Dunklee, Clinton B. Camper,\* John L. Eakin.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT—Jerome J. Hobbs, R. Washington Hill,\* Edward L. Warren, John W. Boon.\*

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT—John W. Thompson, R. Fred. Hatcher, Amos L. Pugh, Charles W. Singhass.

## GENERAL MINUTES.

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Ques. I. Who are admitted on trial?

Ans. Joseph Hendrickson Balthis, Joseph Francis Valliant, Bernley Duke Harrison, William Robert Karr, Lloyd W. Kincaid, (local deacon.)

Ques. II. Who remain on trial?

Ans. Ernest L. Woolf, Harry W. Burruss, Henry Coe Febrey, Boyd V. Switzer, Harvey Q. Burr, (local deacons,) George Hasel.

Ques. III. Who are discontinued?

Ans. None.

Ques. IV. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. Linwood Hammond, Grayson D. Kidner, Charles L. Potter, (local elder,) Frank A. Tyler, (continued in this class from last year,) Howard A. Murrill, Daniel W. Griffin, Seymour Grady.

Ques. V. Who are re-admitted?

Ans. None.

Ques. VI. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Ans. George K. Heydrick, from the Florida Conference.

Ques. VII. Who are the deacons of one year?

Ans. John R. Jacobs, (continued from last year,) George H. Echols, Charles H. Cannon, George W. Richardson, Wallace O. Tolbert, George W. Bogle, William H. Best, Harry M. Canter, Robert L. Eutsler, Geo. K. Heydrick.

Ques. VIII. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?

Ans. Seymour Grady.

Ques. IX. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons?

Ans. Seymour Grady.

Ques. X. What local preachers are elected Deacons?

Ans. Harvey S. Hooke, Edward W. Brubaker, Robert E. Hutton, Lloyd W. Kincaid.

Ques. XI. What local preachers are ordained Deacons?

Ans. Harvey S. Hooke, Edward W. Brubaker, Robert E. Hutton, Lloyd W. Kincaid.

Ques. XII. What traveling preachers are elected Elders?

Ans. Josiah J. Ringer, Millard P. Weikle, William E. Henry, Alfred Harnsberger, George W. Richardson.

Ques. XIII. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?

Ans. William E. Henry (ordained by Bishop Candler at St. Paul's M. E. Church, South, Baltimore, Md., April 15, 1900,) Josiah J. Ringer, Millard P. Weikle, David H. Kern, (already a local elder,) Alfred L. Harnsberger, George W. Richardson.

Ques. XIV. What local preachers are elected Elders?

Ans. William R. J. Thonssen.

Ques. XV. What local preachers are ordained Elders?

Ans. William R. J. Thonssen.

Ques. XVI. Who are located this year?

Ans. Henry Lawson, (at his own request,) John L. Grant, (at his own request.)

Ques. XVII. Who are supernumerary?

Ans. Frances H. Shipley, Allen A. P. Neel.

Ques. XVIII. Who are superannuated?

Ans. Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, John T. Wightman, James S. Gardner, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Aaron Boon, Joseph J. Engle, James S. Porter, Thomas Briley, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Adam Q. Flaherty, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Damaron, John T. Maxwell, Thomas W. Brown, Lewis G. Martin, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincey A. Wheat, Henry D. Bishop, Jacob S. Hopkins, John O. Tackett, Frank T. Griffith.

Ques. XIX. What preachers have died during the past year?

Ans. Francis M. Mills, J. Newman Hank, James M. Follansbee, Wesley Hammond, Archibald C. Hamill, Edward H. Henry, Jefferson D. Martin.

Ques. XX. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Ans. Their names were called one by one and their characters were examined and passed.

*Withdrawn*, Henry T. Wirgman, W. J. Hubbard, E. A. Edwards, from ministry and membership.

Ques. XXI. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

Ans. Local preachers 86; Members 51,438; total 51,524.

Ques. XXII. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Ans. 1,483.

Ques. XXIII. How many adults have been baptized during the year ?

Ans. 1,244.

Ques. XXIV. What is the number of Epworth Leagues ?

Ans. 211.

Ques. XXV. What is the number of Epworth League members ?

Ans. 9,344.

Ques. XXVI. What is the number of Sunday-Schools ?

Ans. 577.

Ques. XXVII. What is the number of Sunday-School teachers ?

Ans. 5,491.

Ques. XXVIII. What is the number of Sunday-School scholars ?

Ans. 40,906.

Ques. XXIX. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers ?

Ans. \$10,574.

Ques. XXX. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied ?

Ans. Collections, \$9,515; Corporate Board \$1,059; total \$10,574.

Ques. XXXI. What has been contributed for missions ?

Ans. Foreign, \$10,652.27; Domestic \$7,420.99; Woman's Foreign Missionary, \$3,641.14; Home Mission Society, \$1,184.34; total, \$22,898.74.

Ques. XXXII. What has been contributed for Church Extension ?

Ans. \$2,543.44.

Ques. XXXIII. What has been done for the American Bible Society ?

Ans. \$465.

Ques. XXXIV. What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge.

Ans. Presiding Elders, \$12,400; Preachers in charge, \$101,458.

Ques. XXXV. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops ?

Ans. \$2,261.

Ques. XXXVI. What is the number of Societies, and of houses of worship owned by them?

Ans. Number of Societies, 634; Number of Houses of Worship, 551.

XXXVII. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$1,209,669; Indebtedness, \$45,271.

XXXVIII. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?

Ans. Pastoral Charges, 171; Number of Parsonages, 141.

XXXIX. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$232,825; Indebtedness, \$11,176.

XL. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages?

Ans. Number of Districts, 8; Number of District Parsonages, 5.

XLI. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Ans. Value, \$18,500; Indebtedness, none.

XLII. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?

Ans. Number of Churches Damaged, 3; Amount of Damages, \$2,415.

XLIII. What are the insurance statistics?

Ans. Insurance carried, \$461,325; Losses sustained, \$1,700; Premiums paid, \$1,860; Collections on losses, \$—

XLIV. What are the educational statistics?

Ans. Collections, \$1,554; Children's Day, \$768; Paine and Lane Institute, \$346; total, \$2,668. Held jointly with Virginia Conference: Randolph-Macon College—Value of property, \$115,000; endowment, \$160,000; Professors, 8; Pupils, 133; Randolph-Macon Woman's College—Value of property, \$153,000; endowment, \$102,000; Professors, 22; Pupils, 225; Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal, Va.—Value of property, \$100,000; Professors, 6; Pupils, 82.

XLV. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Ans. Roanoke, Va.

XLVI. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Ans. (See appointments.)



# APPOINTMENTS.

The figures Refer to the Year of Appointment.

<b>Baltimore District.</b>			
J. A. ANDERSON, P. E.	3	Taylor's--J. B. Henry,	1
<i>Baltimore City :</i>		North Point--W. E. Henry,	1
Central--H. M. Canter,	3	West Harford--L. Hammond,	3 <i>3 a w d</i>
Caernarvon--W. H. Best,	4	East Harford--J. F. Baggs,	3
St. Paul's--Charles D. Bulla,	3	Kent--J. E. Wilson,	3
Wilkins' Avenue--Wm. Stevens,	4	Queen Anne's--C. L. Kennard,	4
Emmanuel--J. O. Knott,	2	Church Hill--J. W. Mitchell,	2
Frederick Ave.--L. W. Haslup,	4	Hillsboro--C. W. Moore,	2 <i>Mays</i>
Arlington and Sudbrook--		Easton and Caroline--C. D. Harris,	2
W. L. Dolly,	1	(One to be supplied by B. S. Highley.)	
H. W. Burruss,	1	Trappe--G. R. Mays,	3 <i>Reed</i>
<i>Reisterstown--</i>		Royal Oak--J. W. Beall,	1
Wm. M. Waters,	3	Tilghman's--G. K. Heydrick,	1 <i>Hupman</i>
F. H. Shipley, Sup'y.		Severn--W. E. Miller,	3
<i>Freedom--H. C. Febrey,</i>	<i>1</i>	Chesapeake--C. K. Millican,	1
Howard--T. J. Lambert,	2	West River--C. W. Mark,	3 <i>Engen</i>
Linganore--A. Weller,	2	Calvert--W. B. Dorsey,	2
(One to be supplied.)		Prince George's--A. B. Sites,	3
Frederick City--B. V. Switzer,	1	Charles--T. G. Nevitt,	1
Brunswick--S. M. Bowman,	4	St. Mary's--J. F. Valliant,	1
Rockville--G. D. White,	2	Patuxent--H. M. Roane,	2 <i>Vells</i>
J. H. Balthis,	1	Forest Grove--F. Furr,	4
Gaithersburg--W. A. McDonald,	2		
Montgomery--D. L. Reid,	1	<b>Washington District.</b>	
(One to be supplied.)		J. H. BOYD, P. E.	4 <i>Julien</i>
Beltsville--J. H. DuLany,	1	<i>Washington City :</i>	
Hyattsville--W. E. Woolf,	2	Mt. Vernon Place--J. W. Duffey,	4
Emory--O. C. Beall,	1	Epworth--W. S. Hammond,	2
Wesley Grove--W. H. Sanders,	1	Marvin--H. I. Stephens,	1
Laurel--W. L. Smith,	1	West Washington and Del Ray--	
F. A. Tyler, <i>Student in Vanderbilt</i>		F. L. Day,	2
<i>University.</i>		Alexandria--E. V. Regester,	2 <i>Stump</i>
<b>East Baltimore District.</b>		Fredericksburg--J. P. Stump,	4
ISAAC W. CANTER, P. E.	4	Fall's Church--G. T. Tyler,	2 <i>W H W</i>
<i>Baltimore City :</i>		Leesburg--J. H. Light,	2
Trinity--C. M. Hawkins,	3	Loudoun--C. Sydenstricker,	3 <i>Kubla</i>
Calvary--D. H. Kern,	3	L. H. Kincaid,	1
		Middleburg--C. B. Sutton,	1 <i>Kubla</i>



Hillsboro—C. H. Buchanan,  
 Hamilton—W. H. Woolf,  
 Marshall—W. P. C. Coe,  
 Warrenton—J. H. Wells,  
 Fairfax—D. L. Blakemore,  
 (One to be supplied by R. M. Hammond.)

Sterling—S. B. Dolly,  
 B. D. Harrison,  
 Occoquan—S. V. Hildebrand,  
 Fauquier—W. T. Gover,  
 Remington—W. H. Marsh,  
 Sudley—J. W. Bain,  
 Manassas—J. C. Sedwick,  
 Stafford—J. K. Gilbert,  
 Morrisville—W. A. Sites,

#### Winchester District.

B. W. BOND, P. E.  
 Winchester—W. H. H. Joyce,  
 Frederick—L. Fox,  
 Stephen's City—H. A. Brown,  
 Middletown—A. M. Cackley,  
 Strasburg—R. M. Wheeler,  
 Woodstock and Mission—

J. C. Jones,  
 (To be supplied by C. M. Hesser.)  
 Edenburg—H. M. Reed,  
 Front Royal and Riverton—  
 W. F. Locke,  
 Warren—T. J. Miller,  
 Linden—I. G. Michael,  
 Page—J. H. Wolff,  
 White Post—F. A. Gains,  
 (One to be supplied by J. H. Haley.)

Berryville—R. R. S. Hough,  
 Brucetown—D. F. Eutsler,  
 (One to be supplied by G. W. Staples.)  
 Martinsburg—S. G. Ferguson,  
 Berkeley—C. L. Potter,  
 Charles Town—H. H. Kennedy,  
 Jefferson—F. A. Strother,  
 Sheperdstown—J. C. Thrasher,  
 A. A. P. Neel, Supp'y.  
 Shenandoah Junction—  
 George Hasel.

Professor in Vanderbilt University—  
 J. A. Kern.

President Valley Female College—  
 J. P. Hyde  
 Student at Vanderbilt University—  
 E. L. Woolf.

#### Rockingham District.

J. E. ARMSTRONG, P. E.  
 Staunton—F. J. Prettyman,  
 East End and Marquis Memorial—  
 P. W. Jeffries,  
 Harrisonburg—J. R. Andrew,  
 Bridgewater—J. C. Hawk,  
 (One to be supplied.)

Mt. Crawford—R. L. Fultz,  
 Parnassus—J. J. Ringer,  
 West Augusta—J. W. Canter,  
 Augusta—J. H. Dills,  
 Waynesboro—H. S. Coe,  
 New Hope—A. R. Martin,  
 Rockingham—Thomas Cooper,  
 East Rockingham—L. R. Jones,  
 Elkton—J. H. Wilhite,  
 Port Republic—J. H. Smith,  
 Shenandoah—J. L. Henderson,  
 Luray—H. H. Sherman,  
 New Market—R. H. Wilson,  
 Mt. Jackson—J. M. Hawley,  
 Marksville—B. Lee Parrott,  
 Fairfield—L. R. Markwood,  
 Goshen—A. L. Harnsburger,

Corresponding Secretary Church Extension—P. H. Whisner.  
 Conference Editor, Richmond and Baltimore Advocates—S. K. Cox.

#### Roanoke District.

D. BUSH, P. E.  
 Salem—J. S. Engle,  
 Roanoke:  
 Greene Memorial—  
 W. H. D. Harper,  
 Trinity—R. Smithson,  
 St. James—J. L. Kibler,  
 Grace—J. L. Shipley,  
 Belmont—H. Q. Burr,  
 Vinton—T. E. Carson,

Roanoke Circuit—C. B. LeFew,  
Bethany—G. D. Kidner,  
Buchanan—H. L. Meyerly,  
Fincastle—J. W. Grubb,  
Glen Wilton—L. Butt,  
Eagle Rock—W. O. Tolbert,  
Buena Vista—G. T. D. Collins,  
Rockbridge—W. O. Ross,  
Lexington—H. P. Hamill,  
Collierstown—A. P. Boude,  
Elliston—W. W. Watts,  
Christiansburg—W. D. Keene,  
Blacksburg—J. H. Davidson,  
Newport—G. O. Homan,  
Newcastle—O. W. Lusby,  
Catawba—L. H. Graybill,  
*Professor in Vanderbilt University—*  
Collins Denny.

#### Lewisburg District.

J. S. HUTCHINSON, P. E.  
Lewisburg—Wm. Melville,  
Frankford—G. W. Richardson,  
(One to be supplied by Jesse Pope.)  
Blue Sulphur—Charles Lynch,  
Hinton—J. R. Van Horne  
Talcott—H. A. Wilson,  
Greenville—Seymour Grady,  
Peterstown—G. H. Echols,  
Alderson—J. M. Greene,  
Union—O. F. Burgess,  
Roncerverte—H. L. Hout,  
White Sulphur—J. M. York,  
Alvon—J. M. Eavey,  
Alleghany—L. B. Atkins,  
Covington—L. L. Lloyd,  
Clifton Forge—C. S. Stanton,

2 Bath—A. C. McNeer,  
1 Levelton—J. W. Whitesell,  
2 Huntersville—G. M. Bogle,  
2 Green Bank—J. W. McNeil,  
2 Hot Springs—H. T. Hieronimus, 2

#### Moorefield District.

B. F. BALL, P. E. 3 *William*  
Moorefield—D. M. Brown, 1  
Petersburg—H. A. Murrill, 2 -  
Franklin—J. H. Schooley, 3 *Dills*  
Crab Bottom—  
(To be supplied by W. C. Smith.)  
4 Keyser—J. T. Williams, 2 *Wynn*  
4 Cumberland—J. H. Kuhlmann, 3 *Ext*  
Elk Garden— *Cann.*  
(To be supplied by R. K. Nevitt.) *Ext*  
Piedmont—W. H. Ballangee, 3 *Wynn*  
Frostburg—C. H. Cannon, 2 *John*  
Flintstone—

(To be supplied by E. W. Brubaker.)  
Romney—S. A. Parker, 1 *Shannon*  
Springfield—H. M. Strickler, 2  
Slanesville—J. M. Anderson, 1  
Hardy—R. L. Eutsler, 1 -  
Morgan—C. M. Sarver, 2  
Gainsboro—N. N. Hall, 3  
Wardensville—D. W. Griffin, 2  
Capon Bridge—C. E. Simmons, 2  
Listonburg—J. R. Jacobs, 3 *Griffin*  
Monterey—J. R. Tillery, 1 *Wynn*  
McDowell—M. P. Weikle, 1  
Transferred to the Holston Confer-  
ence—C. A. Brown. 4  
Transferred to the Western North  
Carolina Conference—P. L. Groome. 1

# Officers, Boards and Committees.

SESSION, APRIL 4-11, 1900.

## President of the Conference.

BISHOP WARREN A. CANDLER, D. D.

## Secretary.

REV. JAMES E. ARMSTRONG.

## Recorder.

REV. ELDRIDGE V. REGESTER.

## Statistical Secretaries.

REV. GEORGE T. TYLER.

REV. ASBURY R. MARTIN.

REV. JAMES P. STUMP.

REV. HENRY S. COE.

REV. WILLIAM M. WATERS.

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J. E. ALEXANDER, *Treasurer.*

*Clerical.*

*Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	—	W. E. Woolf	.....	O. W. Hammond.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	"	J. L. Shipley	.....	E. W. King.
<i>Washington</i>	"	J. P. Stump	.....	J. E. Alexander.
<i>Winchester</i>	"	S. G. Ferguson	.....	G. W. Larick.
<i>Rockingham</i>	"	H. S. Coe	.....	I. B. Keagey.
<i>Roanoke</i>	"	T. E. Carson	.....	R. H. Farrier.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	"	O. F. Burgess	.....	L. J. Williams.
<i>Moorefield</i>	"	D. L. Reid	.....	A. L. Pugh.

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J. B. MYERS, *Secretary*

J. P. HOUCK, *Treasurer.*

*Clerical.*

*Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	—	G. D. White	.....	E. D. Preston.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	"	J. F. Baggs	.....	J. B. Myers.
<i>Washington</i>	"	W. H. Woolf	.....	W. S. Embrey.
<i>Winchester</i>	"	J. C. Jones	.....	A. C. Nadenbousch.
<i>Rockingham</i>	"	J. C. Hawk	.....	J. P. Houck.
<i>Roanoke</i>	"	Rumsey Smithson	.....	T. T. Fishburne.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	"	L. L. Lloyd	.....	A. E. Huddleston.
<i>Moorefield</i>	"	J. T. Williams	.....	R. F. Hatcher.

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<i>Baltimore District</i>	C. D. Bulla.....	R. O. Shipley.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	W. P. C. Coe.....	J. B. Perrie.
<i>Washington</i>	J. W. Duffey.....	W. W. Millan.
<i>Winchester</i>	H. H. Kennedy.....	E. D. Newman.
<i>Rockingham</i>	L. R. Jones.....	E. S. Conrad.
<i>Roanoke</i>	H. P. Hamill.....	C. B. Camper.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	H. L. Hout.....	J. M. McWhorter.
<i>Moorefield</i>	J. T. Williams.....	A. L. Pugh.

**IV.—Sunday School Board.**R. MAGRUDER, *President.*C. S. STANTON, *Secretary.*W. H. THOMAS, *Treasurer.**Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	W. M. Waters.....	R. Magruder.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	C. M. Hawkins.....	E. B. Magruder.
<i>Washington</i>	C. S. Stanton.....	W. H. Thomas.
<i>Winchester</i>	F. A. Gains.....	Jas. Gaver.
<i>Rockingham</i>	J. C. Hawk.....	H. H. Blease.
<i>Roanoke</i>	A. P. Boude.. . . .	H. H. Dickey.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	C. B. Sutton.....	Geo. Jeffries.
<i>Moorefield</i>	H. M. Strickler.....	R. F. Hatcher.

**V.—Board of Church Extension.**S. K. COX, *President.*J. W. WOODS, *Secretary.*P. V. D. CONWAY, *Treasurer.**Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	J. S. Hutchinson.....	J. E. Crout.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	W. E. Miller.....	J. M. Berry, Jr.
<i>Washington</i>	C. Sydenstricker.....	P. V. D. Conway.
<i>Winchester</i>	S. K. Cox.....	F. K. Weaver.
<i>Rockingham</i>	J. R. Andrew.....	G. W. C. Karnes.
<i>Roanoke</i>	H. I. Stephens.....	J. W. Woods.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	J. R. VanHorne.....	J. W. Boon.
<i>Moorefield</i>	T. G. Nevitt... . .	J. W. Thompson.

**VI.—Epworth League Board.**J. W. GRUBB, *President.*E. S. CONRAD, *Secretary.**Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	J. O. Knott.....	G. H. Lamar.
<i>E. Baltimore</i>	J. E. Wilson.....	O. C. Michael.
<i>Washington</i>	J. H. Light... . .	F. E. Woodward.
<i>Winchester</i>	J. L. Kibler.....	L. A. Adams.
<i>Rockingham</i>	F. J. Prettyman.. .	J. S. Richey.
<i>Roanoke</i>	W. H. H. Joyce.....	J. P. Woods.
<i>Lewisburg</i>	J. H. Dills.....	J. W. Smoot.
<i>Moorefield</i>	W. H. Ballanger.....	J. W. Singhass.

**VII.—Corporate Board of Finance.**J. S. GARDNER, *President.*J. S. HUTCHINSON, *Secretary*GEORGE N. NUMSEN, *Treasurer.**Clerical.*

J. S. Gardner,  
J. S. Hutchinson,  
J. W. Duffey,  
T. G. Nevitt,  
J. A. Anderson.

*Lay.*

Charles Shipley,  
E. B. Prettyman,  
J. O. Shipley,  
G. N. Numsen.

**COMMITTEES.****On Memoirs.**

J. M. Hawley, D. H. Kern, W. S. Hammond, J. S. Engle, L. R. Jones,  
J. H. Davidson, C. Lynch, D. M. Brown.

**On Conference Relations.**

J. H. DuLany, W. P. C. Coe, G. T. Tyler, A. M. Cackley,  
R. L. Fultz, L. Butt, C. E. Simmons.

**On Admissions.**

W. H. Sanders, J. H. DuLany, L. G. Martin, A. B. Sites,  
W. S. Hammond, C. H. Buchanan, R. R. S. Hough, J. S. Engle,  
F. J. Prettyman, J. R. Andrew, W. H. D. Harper, H. P. Hamill,  
H. A. Brown, J. R. VanHorne, H. M. Strickler, D. M. Brown,

**On Publishing Interests.***Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i> —	Wm. A. McDonald.....	C. W. Prettyman.
<i>E. Baltimore</i> “	J. F. Baggs.....	W. D. Smith.
<i>Washington</i> “	D. L. Blakemore.....	T. J. Pollard.
<i>Winchester</i> “	F. A. Strother.....	L. T. Stoneburner.
<i>Rockingham</i> “	F. J. Prettyman.....	E. B. Lipscomb.
<i>Roanoke</i> “	A. P. Boude.....	C. B. Camper.
<i>Lewisburg</i> “	H. L. Hout . . . . .	E. L. Warren.
<i>Moorefield</i> “	N. N. Hall.....	C. W. Singhass.

**On Temperance.***Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i> —	J. H. Wilhite.....	J. P. Haslup.
<i>E. Baltimore</i> “	H. M. Roane.....	C. N. Hamilton.
<i>Washington</i> “	E. H. Henry . . . . .	D. L. Coon.
<i>Winchester</i> “	J. C. Thrasher.....	G. J. Cunningham.
<i>Rockingham</i> “	T. Briley... . . . .	H. L. Koontz.
<i>Roanoke</i> “	W. M. Watts.....	W. M. Dunklee.
<i>Lewisburg</i> “	W. L. Smith... . . . .	R. W. Hill.
<i>Moorefield</i> “	J. W. McNeil.....	J. W. Thompson.

**On Bible Cause.***Clerical.**Lay.*

<i>Baltimore District</i>	T. J. Lambert .....	O. L. Rhodes.
<i>E. Baltimore</i> "	W. E. Miller.....	C. E. Beidler.
<i>Washington</i> "	J. W. Bain....	G. W. Laycock.
<i>Winchester</i> "	J. H. Woolf... ..	I. N. King.
<i>Rockingham</i> "	J. W. Canter.....	G. W. C. Karnes.
<i>Roanoke</i> "	W. D. Keene.....	J. L. Eakin.
<i>Lewisburg</i> "	J. H. Dills....	J. J. Hobbs.
<i>Moorefield</i> "	S. A. Parker.....	R. F. Hatcher.

**On District Conference Records.**

F. T. Griffith, C. W. Mark, J. H. Wells, T. J. Miller, R. L. Fultz,  
H. L. Myerly, L. B. Atkins, J. H. Kuhlmann.

**On Collections.**

W. A. McDonald, W. B. Dorsey, S. V. Hildebrand, W. L. Dolly,  
G. T. D. Collins, H. A. Wilson, D. L. Reid.

**Examinations.**

	R. L. Fultz,	C. D. Harris,	C. Sydenstricker,
1st Year—	J. L. Kibler,	H. I. Stevens,	C. H. Buchanan,
2d Year—	J. H. Light,	J. R. VanHorne,	W. P. C. Coe,
3d Year—	S. G. Ferguson,	L. R. Markwood,	J. S. Engle,
4th Year—	H. H. Kennedy,	W. H. D. Harper,	J. T. Williams.

**On Public Worship.**

Presiding Elder of Washington District and the Pastors of Washington City  
and Alexandria.

**On Publication of Conference Minutes.**

J. E. Armstrong, G. T. Tyler, A. R. Martin.

**To Nominate the Place of Conference Session.**

J. P. Hyde, J. T. Wightman, C. H. Buchanan, E. B. Prettyman.

**To Receive and Distribute Letters.**

W. O. Tolbert.

**Railroad Transportation Agent.**

J. P. Hyde.

## Appointed at the Close of Conference to Serve Next Year

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### Committees on Examination.

#### *For Admissions on Trial:*

	R. L. Fultz,	J. F. Baggs,	H. H. Sherman.
1st Year—	J. S. Engle,	H. L. Hout,	W. F. Locke.
2d Year—	F. J. Prettyman,	J. H. DuLany,	G. D. White.
3d Year—	H. S. Coe,	J. L. Shipley,	W. M. Waters.
4th Year—		S. K. Cox,	W. O. Ross.

### To Preach the Opening Sermon.

Collins Denny.

*Alternate:* P. H. Hamill.

### Committee on Memoirs.

J. M. Hawley,	D. H. Kern,	W. S. Hammond,
W. F. Locke,	L. R. Jones,	J. H. Davidson,
C. Lynch,		D. M. Brown.

### Visitors to Valley Female College, Winchester, Va.

A. M. Cackley,	J. C. Thrasher,	W. H. H. Joyce.
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# JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

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## FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1900.

THE BALTIMORE ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, commenced its ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH Session in the Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington, D. C., Wednesday, April 4, 1900, at 9 o'clock.

Bishop Warren A. Candler, D. D., President of the Conference, in the chair.

Conference united in singing Hymn 221—

“Draw Near, O Son of God, Draw Near.”

The Bishop read the lesson, after prayer, taken from the Epistle to the Ephesians, chapter 4, and then addressed the Conference.

**Secretary**—Upon nomination, James E. Armstrong was re-elected secretary, with the privilege of nominating his assistants, and—

**Assistants**—Eldridge V. Regester, George T. Tyler, Asbury R. Martin, James P. Stump, Henry S. Coe and William M. Waters were re-elected Assistant Secretaries.

The **Roll** was called by the Secretary, and one hundred and fifty-two clerical and sixteen lay members responded to their names.

**Substitute**—Charles W. Singhass was substituted for Charles P. Jones on the roll of Lay Representatives for the Moorefield District.

The **Hour** for meeting was fixed at 9 A. M., and for adjournment at 12 noon.

The **Bar** of the Conference was designated as on a line running across the Church by the fourth window.

**Reports**—The Report of Barbee & Smith, Book Agents for the Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., was presented and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

The Report of Rev. P. H. Whisner, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

The Report of Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Sunday-School Editor, was presented, read and referred to the Sunday-School Board.

The Report of Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., Secretary to the Board of Education at Nashville, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board.

The Report of George Williams Walker, President of Paine Institute, was presented, read and referred to the Board of Education.



The Report of Rev. H. M. Du Bose, D. D., Secretary of the Epworth League Board at Nashville, was presented and read.

Dr. Du Bose addressed the Conference, and—

The Report was referred to the Conference Board.

**Committees**—On motion, a Committee on Admissions was ordered, to consist of two clerical members from each Presiding Elder's District; Committees on Publishing Interests, Temperance, to consist each of one clerical and one lay member from each Presiding Elder's District; Committees on District Conference Records and on Collections, to consist each of one clerical member from each Presiding Elder's District.

On motion, the Presiding Elders were appointed a committee to nominate members of the several committees ordered

And, on nomination, they were appointed as follows: (See page 13.)

On the Conference Board of Missions, R. H. Farrier was substituted for T. T. Fishburne; H. H. Kennedy for J. A. Kern, and A. L. Pugh for J. C. Matheeny on the Board of Education; J. F. Hatcher for Joshua Zimmerman on the Sunday-School Board; J. W. Thompson for J. W. Vandiver and C. D. Bulla for J. S. Hutchinson on the Board of Church Extension; C. W. Singhass for B. H. Hiner on the Epworth League Board; G. D. White for H. T. Wirgman on the Committee of Examination for the Third Year.

On motion, the Presiding Elders were requested to prepare their nominations for the usual committees in writing, and place them in the hands of the Secretary, that they may be read and acted upon at the opening of the next Conference.

The Presiding Elder of the Washington District and the several pastors of Washington and Alexandria were appointed a Committee on Public Worship.

J. E. Armstrong, G. T. Tyler and Asbury R. Martin were reappointed a Committee on the Publication of the Conference Minutes.

J. P. Hyde, J. T. Wightman, C. H. Buchanan and E. B. Prettyman were reappointed a Committee to nominate the place of Conference session.

W. B. Dorsey was appointed to canvass the Conference for the subscriptions to the Annual Minutes.

W. O. Tolbert to receive and distribute the mail, and

J. P. Hyde, Railroad Transportation Agent.

**Visitors**—Rev. J. H. Amos and Rev. George H. Wray, of the Virginia Conference, M. E. Church, South, were introduced.

Conference adjourned with the Doxology and with the Benediction by Bishop Candler, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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## SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, April 5, 1900.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Bishop Candler in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by Isaac W. Canter.

The **Roll** was called, and twenty-three clerical and three lay members additional responded as present.

On motion, the further calling of the roll was suspended, with the understanding that members appearing subsequently report their names to the Secretary.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Joseph A. Hutchinson was substituted on the roll of Lay Representatives in the place of George J. Russell for Washington District.

On the Committee on Publishing Interests E. B. Lipscomb was substituted in the place of I. B. Kagey; on the Committee on Temperance, H. L. Koontz for E. B. Lipscomb; on the Epworth League Board, J. S. Richey for F. B. Kennedy.

Rev. W. E. Judkins, D. D., of the Virginia Conference, was introduced.

**Question Twenty** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and administration?*

Presiding Elders John A. Anderson, of the Baltimore District; Isaac W. Canter, of the East Baltimore District; James H. Boyd, of the Washington District; Beverly W. Bond, of the Winchester District; James E. Armstrong, of the Rockingham District; David Bush, of the Roanoke District; John S. Hutchinson, of the Lewisburg District; Benjamin F. Ball, of the Moorefield District, reported the state of their several Districts, and their characters were severally examined and passed.

The report of Rev. W. R. Lambuth, D. D., and Rev. J. H. Pritchett, D. D., Missionary Secretaries, was presented, read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

Bishop C. B. Galloway was introduced and addressed the Conference.

**Report A** of the Board of Education presented a request that to-morrow at 10 o'clock the Twentieth Century Offering be made the special order of the day, and, on motion, the request was granted.

**Question Twenty** of the General Minutes was resumed, and the characters of Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, John T. Wightman, James S. Gardner, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Joseph J. Engle, Aaron Boon, James S. Porter, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Dameron, John T. Maxwell, Henry D. Bishop, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincy A. Wheat, Jacob S. Hopkins and John O. Tackett were examined and passed, and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Superannuated relation.

The characters of James H. Wolff and Thomas W. Brown were examined and passed.

When the names of Francis M. Mills, James W. Follansbee and Wesley Hammond were called, it was stated that they had died in the Lord.

The characters of Adam Q. Flaherty, Francis H. Shipely and Allen A. P. Neel were examined and passed, and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Supernumerary relation.

When the name of J. Newman Hank was called, it was stated that he had died in the Lord.

On motion, the Secretary of the Conference was requested to prepare a memoir of F. M. Mills for record in the Journal.

**Question Four** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Howard A. Murrill, Daniel W. Griffin, Seymour Grady, having passed in examination of character and also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, they were required by the Bishop to appear before him on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, in order to answer the disciplinary questions.

The character of Earnest L. Woolf was examined and passed, but as he did not appear before the Committee of Examination on the Course of Study, he was continued in the class of the third year.

Leave of absence was granted to A. B. Sites, and C. L. Kennard was substituted for him on the Committee on Admissions.

When the name of Charles A. Brown was called it was announced that he had been transferred to the Holston Conference.

**Question Three:** *Who are discontinued?* Answer. None.

**Question Five:** *Who are re-admitted?* Answer. None.

A communication from Rev. W. G. Starr, D. D., President of Randolph-Macon College was presented, read and referred to the Board of Education.

A communication from the Secretary of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was presented and read, as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5, 1900.

By a unanimous vote of the Baltimore Annual Conference, now in session in this city, the Rev. John F. Goucher, L. L. D., the Rev. C. H. Richardson, D. D., and the Rev. H. R. Naylor, were appointed to convey fraternal greetings to the Baltimore Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in Conference Assembly in the city of Washington.

GEORGE E. MAYDWELL,

*Secretary Baltimore Annual Conference, M. E. Church.*

Rev. John F. Goucher, L. L. D., Rev. C. H. Richardson, D. D., and Rev. H. R. Naylor were severally introduced and addressed the Conference.

Bishop Candler made reply.

On motion of S. K. Cox, the President of the Conference was requested to appoint a committee to make suitable response, and, accordingly, S. K. Cox, Collins Denny and I. W. Canter were appointed.

Rev. Brother Dolliver, of the Western Virginia Conference, and Rev. Brother Dolliver, of the Rock River Conference, M. E. Church, were introduced.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and both the benediction by R. R. S. Hough to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

### THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 6, 1900.

Conference met according to appointment.

Bishop Candler in the chair.

Religious Exercises were conducted by Beverly W. Bond.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Question Six** of the General Minutes was called, viz.: *Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

The Bishop presented the name of George K. Heydrick, from the Florida Conference, as having been transferred to this Conference.

**Question Seven** was called, viz.: *Who are the deacons of one year?*

The characters of George H. Echols, Charles H. Cannon, George W. Richardson, Wallace O. Tolbert, George W. Bogle, William H. Best, Harry M. Canter, Robert L. Eutsler, George K. Heydrick, Daniel W. Griffin, were examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The characters of Linwood Hammond, Grayson D. Kidner, Charles L. Potter, (local elder) Frank A. Tyler were examined and passed, but as they did not appear before the Committee of Examination on the Course of Study, there were continued in the class of the third year.

**Question Sixteen** of the General Minutes, viz.: *Who are located this year?*

The character of Henry Lawson was examined and passed, and he was, on motion, granted a location at his own request.

**Question One**, viz.: *Who are admitted on Trial?*

The recommendations of Joseph Hendrickson Balthis, from the Baltimore District, Joseph Francis Valliant, from the East Baltimore District, were presented in due form, and having passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, and having been also recommended by the Committee on Admission, they were severally admitted on trial.

Conference proceeded to take up the order of the day.

**Report No. 1** from the Board of Education on the Twentieth Century Offering, was presented and read.

Bishop Candler addressed the Conference.

On motion the Report was adopted.

Subscriptions and collection were taken amounting to \$14,412.

**Question Twenty** of the General Minutes, viz.: *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The name of J. W. Bain was called, and his Presiding Elder stated that charges of immorality were preferred against him.

A Committee of Investigation was appointed by the Chair, viz: T. E. Carson, J. H. DuLany, J. R. VanHorne.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the benediction by Rev. Dr. J. H. Pritchett, to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

#### FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING, April 7, 1900.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Candler in the Chair.

Religious services were conducted by B. F. Ball.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Question One** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Who are admitted on trial?*

The recommendations of Bernley Duke Harrison, from the Washington District Conference, William Robert Karr, from the Roanoke District Conference, Lloyd H. Kincaid, from the Lewisburg District Conference, were presented in due form, and having passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, and having been also recommended by the Committee on Admissions, they were severally admitted on trial.

Reports signed by Nina Wilson, Corresponding Secretary, and by Virginia C. Massie, Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Conference, were presented and read.

A communication from Rev. J. W. Compton, Troy, Idaho, a former member of this body, dated March 31, 1900, was presented and read, and on motion, the Secretary was instructed to respond.

**Question Twelve:** *What traveling preachers are elected Elders?*

The characters of Joseph J. Ringer, M. Preston Weikle, William E. Henry, David H. Kern, (already a local elder) Alfred H. Harnsberger, George W. Richardson were examined, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, they were severally elected Elders.

When the name of Evan A. Edwards was called his Presiding Elder stated that he had withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. His character passed, and the Secretary was directed to enter his name under question twenty as withdrawn.

The character of John C. Jacobs was examined and passed, but not having passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study, he was continued in the class of the fourth year.

Leave of absence was granted to S. K. Cox, Collins Denny and Isaac W. Canter, who had been appointed to respond to the fraternal message from the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church, now in session in this city.

J. E. Alexander, Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society, presented and read his report.

The Report of the Committee of Investigation appointed yesterday in the case of J. W. Bain was presented and read as follows:

The Committee appointed to investigate the accusations against Rev. J. W. Bain, after careful and thorough examination of all the papers submitted to our examination; also, after such oral testimony as we found available, we beg to report we do not find any reason whatever for further action in the case by the Church.

J. R. VANHORNE, T. E. CARSON, J. H. DULANY.

**Question Ten** of the General Minutes, viz: *What local preachers are elected Deacons?*

The recommendations of Harvey S. Hooke, Edward W. Brubaker, from the Rockingham District, Robert Ernest Hutton, from the Roanoke District, Lloyd H. Kincaid, from the Lewisburg District, were presented in proper form, and they were severally elected deacons.

**Question Fifteen:** *What local preachers are elected Elders?*

The recommendation of William J. R. Thonssen from the Washington District was presented in due form, together with his certificate of subscription to our doctrines and discipline and to our ordination vows, and on motion he was elected to Elder's Orders.

**Question Twenty:** *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The characters of Charles D. Bulla, William Stevens, John O. Knott, Lemuel W. Haslup, Williams M. Water, James M. Hawley, Thomas J. Lambert, Addison Weller, John H. Wilhite, Samuel M. Bowman, George D. White, William A. McDonald, William H. Sanders, William E. Woolf, Jas. H. DuLany, John R. Tillery, of Baltimore District, were examined and passed.

When the name of Henry T. Wirgman was called his Presiding Elder stated that he had withdrawing from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, his character passed, and the Secretary was directed to mark his name withdrawn under the Twentieth Question.

The characters of Frank T. Griffith and Thomas Briley were passed, and, on motion, their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a superannuated relation.

The name of Aden C. Nadenbaush was substituted for George W. Larrick as a Lay Representative in the Conference.

On motion, 11 A. M. on Monday was made the special order of the day to fix the place of the next session.

**Question Ten:** *What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?*

The character of Seymour Grady was examined and passed, and having also passed in examination before the Committee on the Course of Study he was elected deacon.

The Memorial Services for our deceased brethren was made the order of the day for Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

**Question Four:** *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Howard A. Murrill, Daniel W. Griffin, Seymour Grady, reported on Thursday as having passed in examination of character and before the



Committee on the Course of Study, came forward as their names were called. After godly admonition delivered by Bishop Candler the questions prescribed in the discipline were severally answered affirmatively and they were admitted into full connection.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction by T. E. Carson, to meet on Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

### FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY MORNING, April 9, 1900.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Bishop Candler in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Lovett.

The Journal was read and approved.

Rev. W. C. Lovett, D. D. of the South Georgia Conference, and an editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The death of our brother Rev. Edward H. Henry, on Saturday last, was announced by his Presiding Elder, J. H. Boyd.

On motion :

*Resolved*, That in the midst of our Annual Session, we have heard with profound sorrow of the death of Rev. Edward H. Henry, who for forty years has been an honored, faithful and efficient member of this Conference. And we wish hereby to assure his stricken family that we share their sad bereavement, and tender them our loving sympathy, and offer for them our earnest prayers, that they may truly realize in this hour of their deep distress the divine pledge, that our God is indeed "The father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows."

*Resolved* further, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Secretary to the family of our deceased brother.

J. H. BOYD, JAS. E. ARMSTRONG, J. S. HUTCHINSON, I. W. CANTER.

**Question Nine:** *Who are ordained Deacons?*

**Eleven:** *What local preachers are ordained Deacons?*

**Thirteen:** *What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?*

**Fifteen:** *What local preachers are ordained Elders?*

Bishop Candler presented the following certificate of ordinations:

This certifies that I, Warren A. Candler, one of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, did ordain to the office of Deacon, at the morning service in Mount Vernon Church, in the city of Washington, on April 8, 1900, Rev. B. F. Ball reading the Epistle and Rev. David Bush the Gospel, the following persons: Seymour Grady, a traveling preacher; Harvey S. Hooke, Robert Ernest Hutton, Lloyd H. Kincaid and Edward W. Brubaker, local preachers.

Also, at the same place and on the same day, at the evening service, I ordained to the office of Elder, being assisted by Rev. J. S. Hutchinson,

who read the Epistle, and by Rev. I. W. Canter, who read the Gospel, Rev. B. W. Bond and Rev. R. R. S. Hough uniting with us in the imposition of hands, the following: Josiah J. Ringer, Millard Preston Weikle, Alfred L. Hornsberger, George W. Richardson, traveling preachers, and William J. Thonssen, local preacher.

Given under my hand and seal, this ninth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred.

WARREN A CANDLER. [Seal.]

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, D. D., Superintendent of the Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C., was introduced and addressed the Conference.

On motion, a committee of three, to be appointed by the chair, was ordered to consider the matters referred to by Dr. Crafts.

The committee was appointed, as follows: B. W. Bond, Rumsey Smithsan, J. S. Hutchinson.

**Question Twenty** of the General Minutes was resumed, viz: *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

The characters of C. M. Hawkins, P. L. Groome, J. L. Shipley, J. F. Baggs, J. E. Wilson, C. L. Kennard, J. W. Mitchell, C. W. Moore, C. D. Harris, G. R. Mays, J. W. Beall, W. E. Miller, W. P. C. Coe, C. W. Mark, W. B. Dorsey, A. B. Sites, J. B. Henry, H. M. Roane, F. Furr, of the East Baltimore District, were examined and passed.

The character of L. G. Martin was examined and passed, and, on motion, his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a Superannuated relation.

The Committee on Conference Relations was granted leave of absence.

The characters of J. W. Duffey, W. S. Hammond, J. L. Grant, F. L. Day, E. V. Regester, J. P. Stump, G. T. Tyler, J. H. Light, C. Sydenstricker, C. L. Stanton, C. H. Buchanan, W. H. Woolf, J. H. Wells, C. K. Millican, S. B. Dolly, S. V. Hildebrand, J. C. Sedwick, J. W. Bain, D. L. Blakemore, J. K. Gilbert, W. T. Gover, of the Washington District, were examined and passed.

When the name of E. H. Henry was called, it was stated that he had died in the Lord.

The order of the day was taken up.

**Question Forty-Five** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?*

J. P. Hyde, chairman of the committee to nominate the place of Conference session to be held April, 1901, presented an invitation from the churches in Roanoke, Va., to the Baltimore Conference to meet at Greene Memorial Church, in that city.

On motion, the invitation was unanimously accepted, and Roanoke was chosen as the place of the next session.

The Report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.



**Report No. 1** of the Joint Board of Finance was presented by J. H. Houck, Treasurer, and read.

**Introductions**—Prof. C. L. Melton, Principal of Randolph Academy, Front Royal, Va. Rev. Herbert Hope, Business Manager of the Richmond Christian Advocate, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Rev. Dr. Pritchett, Missionary Secretary, addressed the Conference on the subject of our Foreign Missions.

Rev. Bro. W. J. Callahan, late Missionary to Japan, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

W. W. Smith, LL. D., Chancellor of Randolph-Macon System of Colleges and Academies, addressed the Conference.

Rev. James E. Gilbert, D. D. LL. D., National Secretary of the American Society of Religious Education, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Rev. L. T. Wideman, Secretary of the Maryland State Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Rev. C. C. McLean, Secretary of the Chesapeake Chautauqua Assembly, Brighton Beach, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

**Report No. 1** from the Committee on Conference Relations was presented and read as follows:

The Committee on Conference Relations beg leave to report on the following cases:

For the supernumerary relation:

Francis H. Shipley, Allen A. P. Neel.

To the superannuated relation:

Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, Robert Smith, Charles L. Linthicum, John T. Wightman, James S. Gardner, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Hamilton A. Gaver, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Joseph J. Engle, Aaron Boon, James S. Porter, Thomas Briley, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Joseph J. Crickenberger, Charles L. Dameron, John T. Maxwell, Lewis G. Martin, Henry D. Bishop, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Quincy A. Wheat, Jacob S. Hopkins, John O. Tackett, Frank T. Griffith.

R. L. FULTZ, *Secretary*.

J. H. DULANY, *Chairman*.

**Question Seventeen:** *Who are supernumerary?*

The vote was taken on the cases reported by the Committee on Conference Relations, and a supernumerary relation was granted them.

**Question Eighteen:** *Who are superannuated?*

The vote was taken on the cases reported by the Committee on Conference Relations and a superannuated relation was granted them.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That we express our sincere sympathy with our esteemed brother, Rev. Dr. Whisner, and his family, in the bereavement that has recently befallen his household, and which called him away suddenly from the session of our body.

That we commend him and his stricken companion to the God of all grace and consolation, praying that He who has smitten may also heal and bind up.

That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Secretary of the Conference to our afflicted brother.

J. S. HUTCHINSON, SAM'L. K. COX.

Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and with the Benediction, to meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

### FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY EVENING, April 9, 1900.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

By appointment of Bishop Candler, Thomas E. Carson took the Chair, and in the absence of the Secretary, George T. Tyler, Assistant Secretary, acted in his place.

Religious services were conducted by W. H. D. Harper.

The reading of the Journal of the morning's session was suspended.

Conference united in singing hymn 582—

"Come, let us join our friends above."

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was presented.

The memoir of Jefferson D. Martin was read by H. A. Brown.

J. R. VanHorne and L. R. Markwood added their testimony to the Christian life and ministerial work of our brother, Jefferson D. Martin.

The memoir of J. Newman Hank was read by D. H. Kern.

T. E. Carson paid a tribute of affection and esteem for our departed brother, J. N. Hank.

The memoir of James M. Follansbee was read by W. S. Hammond.

G. T. Tyler and W. H. D. Harper expressed their high appreciation of the purity, excellent attainments and faithful labors of our brother James M. Follansbee.

The memoir of Wesley Hammond was read by S. K. Cox.

C. Sydenstricker, G. T. Tyler and Rumsey Smithson gave suitable expression to their estimate of the Christian character and life of our brother, Wesley Hammond.

The memoir of F. M. Mills will be prepared and published by the Secretary in the Conference Minutes, by order of the Conference.

Rumsey Smithson briefly sketched the outline of the long and useful life of our venerable and now sainted brother, F. M. Mills.

The memoir of Archibald C. Hamill was read by Charles Lynch.

G. T. Tyler spoke in appreciation of the life and ministry of our brother A. C. Hamill.

The memoir of Edward H. Henry, who died in the Lord on Saturday last, will be prepared and published in the Minutes by the Secretary, by order of the Conference.

Tender, loving and sympathetic words were spoken in memory of our brother, E. H. Henry, by S. G. Ferguson and F. T. Griffith.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Memoirs was adopted.

Conference adjourned with the Benediction by J. E. Armstrong.

### SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY MORNING, April 10. .

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Candler in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by C. Sydenstricker.

The Journal of the two sessions of yesterday was read and approved.

The following resolution was presented and read :

*Resolved*, That we request the Bishops to fix the fourth Wednesday of March, 1901, as the date for holding the next session of our Conference.

BENJ. F. BALL,      DAVID BUSH,      J. S. HUTCHINSON,  
ISAAC W. CANTER,      JOHN A. ANDERSON,      J. C. JONES.

Upon a count vote of 47 for and 81 against, the resolution was rejected.

On motion the following Preamble and Resolution were adopted :

WHEREAS, The form of deed outlined in the discipline and in common use in our Church is misleading, in so far as Church property in the State of Maryland is concerned, the Court of Appeals in that State having held, that deeds drawn in conformity with the instructions in the discipline are inoperative to convey a good and sufficient title; therefore—

*Resolved*, That the Secretary insert, if possible, in the Minutes of this Conference, a form of Corporation, such as the laws of Maryland approve, said form to be prepared by legal counsel secured by the secretary.

C. W. PRETTYMAN, J. A. ANDERSON, ISAAC W. CANTER.

**Question Twenty** of the General Minutes was resumed, viz: *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

Rockingham District was called, and the characters of F. J. Prettyman, P. W. Jeffries, J. R. Andrew, W. L. Dolly, R. L. Fultz, J. W. Canter, W. J. Whitesell, H. S. Coe, A. R. Martin, T. Cooper, L. R. Jones, J. C. Hawk, J. H. Smith, J. L. Henderson, H. H. Sherman, R. M. Wheeler, B. L. Parrott, W. H. Marsh, A. C. McNeer, were examined and passed.

In the absence of P. H. Whisner, Bishop Candler represented his work as Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension, and his character passed.

An offering for the building of the first Methodist, and probably the first Protestant, Church on the Island of Cuba, in Matanzas, was made by the Conference, amounting to \$564.

**Question Twenty** resumed:

Winchester District was called, and the characters of S. K. Cox, L. Fox, J. C. Thrasher, A. M. Cackley, L. R. Markwood, J. C. Jones, H. M. Reed, J. S. Engle, T. J. Miller, I. G. Michael, J. H. Wolff, F. A. Gains, R. R. S.

Hough, O. C. Beall, S. G. Ferguson, H. H. Kennedy, F. A. Strother, J. L. Kibler, J. A. Kern, J. P. Hyde, were examined and passed.

Roanoke District was called, and the characters of W. H. H. Joyce, W. H. D. Harper, R. Smithson, H. I. Stephens, J. M. Greene, T. E. Carson, C. B. LeFew, W. O. Ross, H. L. Myerly, J. W. Grubb, L. Butt, R. H. Wilson, G. T. D. Collins, H. P. Hamill, A. P. Boude, W. W. Watts, W. D. Keene, J. H. Davidson, G. O. Homan, O. W. Lusby, L. H. Graybill, Collins Denny, were examined and passed.

**Report No. 2** of the Joint Board of Finance was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

Rev. J. J. Lafferty, of the Virginia Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference on the subject of the insurance of church property against fire.

The report of the committee appointed yesterday to consider the matters suggested by Dr. W. F. Crafts was presented and read, and, on motion, it was unanimously adopted.

The vote by which the report No. 2 of the Joint Board of Finance was adopted was reconsidered, and, on motion, recommitted.

**Question Twenty** resumed:

Lewisburg District was called, and the characters of William Melville, Charles Lynch, H. A. Brown, H. A. Wilson, W. L. Smith, C. B. Sutton, O. F. Burgess, H. L. Hout, J. M. York, J. M. Eavey, L. B. Atkins, L. L. Lloyd, J. H. Dills, J. M. Anderson, H. T. Heironimus, were examined and passed.

Moorefield District was called, and the characters of D. F. Eutsler, J. H. Schooley, J. W. McNeil, J. T. Williams, J. H. Kuhlmann, W. H. Ballangee, C. H. Cannon, D. M. Brown, D. L. Reid, H. M. Strickler, W. A. Sites, C. M. Sarver, N. N. Hall, C. E. Simmons, T. G. Nevitt, S. A. Parker, were examined and passed.

On motion, the time of the session was extended.

The report of the Epworth League Board was presented and read, and on motion, it was adopted.

On motion, Conference determined that when it adjourn it adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock.

On motion, the action of the Conference to adjourn to meet at 3 P. M. was reconsidered, and on motion it was laid on the table.

On motion, Conference determined that when it adjourn, it adjourn to meet this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion, Conference adjourned with singing the Doxology and the Benediction by Rumsey Smithson, to meet this evening at 7.30.

## SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY EVENING, April 10, 1900.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Candler in the Chair.

Religious services were conducted by J. H. DuLany.

The Journal of this morning was read and approved.

**Report No. 2** from the Committee on Conference Relations was presented and read as follows :

Your Committee beg leave to report that Thomas W. Brown and Adam Q. Flaherty are recommended for a superannuated relation.

R. L. FULTZ, *Secretary*.

J. H. DuLANY, *Chairman*.

**Question Eighteen** of the General Minutes, viz: *Who are superannuated?*

The vote was taken on the cases recommended in the Report on Conference Relations, and a superannuated relation was granted them.

James E. Armstrong reported the aggregate amount of collections from various charges in the Conference, amounting to \$239, to relieve a special obligation due on the Wesleyan Female Institute.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That we learn with deep regret of the continued indisposition of our beloved Bishop Wilson; that we assure him of our sincere sympathy in his affliction, and pray for his early and complete restoration to health.

GEORGE T. TYLER, SAM'L. K. COX.

The following Report was presented and read, and, on motion, the committee were discharged, viz :

The committee appointed at the last session of this conference to consider the advisability of organizing and establishing an orphanage, as proposed in the report of the Epworth League Boad, beg leave to report that they have no recommendation to make.

J. W. DUFFEY, F. A. STIER, J. A. ANDERSON.

The Report of the Board of Church Extension, together with the Report of the Treasurer, was presented and read.

Rev. P. H. Whisner, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension addressed the Conference.

On motion the report was adopted.

**Report No. 2** of the Board of Education was presented and read, and on motion it was adopted.

The Report of the Secretary of the Conference Board of Missions was presented and read.

The following paper was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted :

The Board of Mission, by resolution, requests the Annual Conference to elect Rev. J. L. Shipley as delegate, and Rev. S. G. Ferguson as alternate delegate to represent the Conference at the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions, to be held in New York City, Saturday, April 21st to Tuesday, May 1st, 1900.

The Board of Missions, by resolution, requests the Annual Conference to authorize the incorporation of the Board of Missions, and to designate Rev. J. L. Shipley as the representative of the Board in securing this incorporation.

**Report No. 3** of the Board of Education was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

The Report of the Sunday-School Board for 1898-99 and 1899-1900, together with the Treasurer's Report, was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted. (See Appendix.)

Report of Committee on Temperance was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

Report of Committee on District Conference Records was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

Report of Committee on the Bible Cause was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

**Question Sixteen** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Who are located this year?*

And J. L. Grant was, on motion, located at his own request.

**Questions Twenty-One to Forty-Four**, inclusive, of the General Minutes were called and answered by the Statistical Secretary. (See Appendix.)

Report of George N. Numsen, Treasurer of the Corporate Board of Finance, was presented and read.

**Report No. 2** of the Joint Board of Finance was presented and read, and, on motion, it was adopted.

The following resolution was presented and read:

*Resolved*, That the preachers of this Conference be and are hereby requested to furnish the Secretary of this body with detailed reports, in accordance with our statistical form, from each separate society comprehended within their respective pastoral charges, and that said reports be regularly tabulated in our Conference Minutes.

W. H. H. JOYCE, T. E. CARSON, T. T. FISHBURNE,  
I. B. KAGEY, J. S. RICHEY, C. SYDENSTRICKER.

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That the Presiding Elders be requested not to nominate or appoint the same member on more than one board or committee when it is possible to avoid it.

F. A. STROTHER, J. O. KNOTT, J. P. STUMP, C. H. BUCHANAN.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That we hereby express our grateful appreciation for the very efficient service rendered by our brother, Dr. J. P. Hyde, through a series of years, in providing, at no little cost of time and trouble, transportation rates for the members of this body and for visitors to our annual sessions.

J. R. VAN HORNE, W. H. D. HARPER, SAM'L. K. COX.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That we do herewith tender to the pastors and friends of our churches in Washington and Alexandria, our sincere thanks for the hand-



some entertainment afforded the members of the Conference during the present session, and to the pastor and official members of Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, South, for the ample arrangements made for the holding of the Conference sessions, and assure them of our sincere prayers that the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, may continue to abide in all their homes; and further—

*Resolved*, That we do hereby express to the pastor and official members of McKendree M. E. Church our sincere appreciation of their courtesy in tendering the use of their church, which has largely contributed to the comfort and convenience of the Conference, and greatly facilitated its work.

JOHN P. HYDE, R. R. S. HOUGH, W. H. D. HARPER,

ISAAC W. CANTER, THOS. E. CARSON.

We desire herewith to express to our honored Bishop WARREN A. CANDLER our sincere appreciation of this his first *official* visit to the Baltimore Annual Conference, and of the admirable and most satisfactory manner with which he has presided over its deliberations; and we assure him of our earnest prayers that the great Head of the Church may vouchsafe to him many years of usefulness in his high and responsible office.

JOHN P. HYDE, SAML. K. COX, J. H. BOYD.

A collection for stationery was lifted, amounting to \$23.79.

Also a collection for the sexton, amounting to \$22.00.

The Journal was read and approved.

Nominations by the Presiding Elders for the Committee on Memoirs, to Preach the Opening Sermon for the Ensuing Year, Visitors to the Valley Female College, were presented by the Bishop, and they were confirmed by the Conference.

The names of members of the Joint Board of Finance for 1900-1 were announced.

Conference united in singing hymn 222—

“High on His Everlasting Throne.”

Prayer was offered by R. R. S. Hough.

The Bishop addressed the Conference.

**Question Forty-Six** of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

Bishop Candler announced the appointments. (See Appointments, page 8.)

The Doxology was sung, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and Conference adjourned to meet in Roanoke, Va., April, 1901.

## Report of the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

The following charges have received aid from the treasury of the Board of Missions:

Caernarvon, Wilkins Avenue, Brunswick, Emory, Charles, East Harford, Easton and Caroline, Hillsboro, West River, Trappe, Kent, Church Hill Forest Grove, Royal Oak, Epworth Mission, West Washington and Del Ray, Fairfax, Fauquier, Sudley, Manassas, Stafford, Frederick, East End and Marques Memorial, Bell's Valley, New Market, Mt. Jackson, Marksville, Shenandoah, West Augusta, Rockbridge Baths, Grace, Belmont, Roanoke Circuit, Bethany, Buena Vista, Collierstown, Elliston, Catawba, Glen Wilton, Eagle Rock, Green Sulphur, Union, Alvon, Alleghany, Millboro and Gillets, Hot Springs, Greenbank, Petersburg, Crab Bottom, Cumberland, Morgan, Gainsboro, Wardensville, Listonburg and Flintstone.

These charges report:

Members, 13,952; net increase, 480; Sunday Schools, 197; officers and teachers, 1,500; scholars, 11,290; churches, 183; value of churches, \$221,000 paid for support of ministry, \$23,291; paid for foreign missions, \$1,667; for domestic missions, \$1,084.

The aggregate contributed for foreign missions is \$10,652.27.

The aggregate contributed for domestic missions is \$7,420.99.

J. L. SHIPLEY, *Secretary.*

## Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

*Assessments and Payments, with Percentage of Payments, for 1899 and 1900.*

DISTRICTS.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		Percentage.	DOMESTIC MISSIONS.		Percentage.
	Assessed.	Paid.		Assessed.	Paid.	
Baltimore . . . . .	\$2,225 00	\$1,756 00	79	\$1,695 00	\$1,259 50	74
East Baltimore . . . . .	1,650 00	1,051 00	63	1,257 00	751 61	60
Washington . . . . .	2,426 00	2,098 00	86	1,850 00	1,480 00	80
Winchester . . . . .	1,900 00	1,554 50	81	1,448 00	1,066 60	73
Rockingham . . . . .	1,584 00	1,059 00	66	1,207 00	733 00	60
Roanoke . . . . .	1,886 00	1,201 00	63	1,437 00	852 00	59
Lewisburg . . . . .	1,385 00	916 00	66	1,056 00	571 00	53
Moorefield . . . . .	1,444 00	1,016 77	70	1,100 00	707 28	64
	\$14,500 00	\$10,652 27	73	\$11,050 00	\$7,420 99	67



*Assessments for Missions, 1900 and 1901.*

DISTRICTS.	Foreign.	Domestic.
Baltimore .....	\$2,122 00	\$1,618 00
East Baltimore.....	1,806 00	1,376 00
Washington .....	2,470 00	1,882 00
Winchester. ....	1,882 00	1,434 00
Rockingham .....	1,531 00	1,166 00
Roanoke .....	1,892 00	1,443 00
Lewisburg .....	1,398 00	1,065 00
Moorefield .....	1,399 00	1,066 00
	<b>\$14,500 00</b>	<b>\$11,056 00</b>

## COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS.

DISTRICTS.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.			
	1898-99.	1899-1900.	Increase.	Decrease.
Baltimore .....	\$1,738 00	\$1,756 00	\$18 00	.....
East Baltimore.....	1,035 00	1,051 00	16 00	.....
Washington .....	1,995 00	2,098 00	103 00	.....
Winchester .....	1,424 50	1,554 50	130 00	.....
Rockingham.....	1,145 30	1,059 00	.....	\$86 30
Roanoke.....	1,229 53	1,201 00	.....	28 53
Lewisburg .....	864 00	916 00	52 00	.....
Moorefield .....	893 35	1,026 77	123 42	.....
Total increase .....			<b>\$442 42</b>	<b>\$114 83</b>
Total decrease .....			<b>114 83</b>	
Net increase .....			<b>\$327 59</b>	

DISTRICTS.	DOMESTIC MISSIONS.			
	1898-99.	1899-1900.	Increase.	Decrease.
Baltimore.....	\$1,174 26	\$1,259 50	\$85 24	.....
East Baltimore.....	652 00	751 61	99 61	.....
Washington .....	1,333 00	1,480 00	147 00	.....
Winchester.....	878 00	1,066 60	188 60	.....
Rockingham .....	725 25	733 00	7 75	.....
Roanoke .....	785 00	852 00	67 00	.....
Lewisburg .....	496 59	571 00	74 41	.....
Moorefield.....	589 00	707 28	118 28	.....
Net increase, Domestic.....			<b>\$787 89</b>	
Net increase, Foreign.....			<b>327 59</b>	
			<b>\$1,115 48</b>	

## ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

APPOINTMENTS.	FOREIGN MIS.		DOMESTIC MIS.	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.
<b>BALTIMORE DISTRICT.</b>				
Central and Caernarvon.....	\$205	\$205	\$155	\$155 00
St. Paul's.....	285	285	216	216 00
Wilken's Avenue.....	32	23	23	17 00
Emmanuel.....	186	186	141	141 00
Frederick Avenue.....	57	8	43	4 00
Arlington and Sudbrook.....	186	186	141	141 00
Reisterstown and Mission.....	79	79	59	59 00
Freedom.....	94	30	70	17 00
Howard.....	94	94	70	51 00
Linganore.....	125	44	94	33 00
Frederick City.....	41	41	34	34 00
Brunswick.....	16	16	11	11 00
Rockville.....	192	127	146	100 00
Gaithersburg.....	113	90	89	70 00
Montgomery.....	136	100	108	51 00
Beltsville.....	50	31	38	12 00
Hyattsville.....	99	64	76	64 00
Emory.....	65	42	49	21 00
Wesley Grove.....	113	85	89	50 00
Laurel.....	57	20	43	12 50
	\$2,225	\$1,756	\$1,695	\$1,259 50
<b>EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.</b>				
Trinity.....	\$257	\$257	\$244	\$244 00
Calvary.....	109	109	83	83 00
Taylor's.....	65	65	47	45 00
West Harford.....	39	39	27	27 00
East Harford.....	71	25	51	5 00
Kent.....	71	39	51	51 00
Queen Anne's.....	77	77	59	25 00
Church Hill.....	76	14	56	9 00
Hillsboro'.....	53	39	40	10 00
Easton and Caroline.....	80	40	59	24 61
Trappe.....	65	18	49	10 00
Royal Oak.....	27	24	18	15 00
Tilghman's.....	27	27	18	18 00
Severn.....	68	20	48	10 00
Chesapeake.....	76	68	55	35 00
West River.....	38	12	26	12 00
Calvert.....	108	63	75	42 00
Prince George's.....	71	21	52	17 00
Charles.....	52	10	40	8 00
St. Mary's.....	32	10	26	9 00
Patuxent.....	85	56	60	40 00
Forrest Grove.....	53	18	37	12 00
North Baltimore.....	50	.....	36	.....
	\$1,650	\$1,051	\$1,257	\$751 61

## ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

APPOINTMENTS.	FOREIGN MIS.		DOMESTIC MIS.	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.
WASHINGTON DISTRICT.				
Mt. Vernon Place.....	\$ 310	\$ 310 00	\$ 236	\$ 236 00
Epworth and Mission.....	108	108 00	81	81 00
Marvin.....	113	113 00	86	86 00
West Washington and Del Rey.....	33	33 00	25	25 00
Alexandria.....	242	242 00	185	185 00
Fredericksburg.....	150	150 00	115	115 00
Falls Church.....	119	121 00	90	90 00
Leesburg.....	122	122 00	92	92 00
Loudoun.....	164	164 00	125	109 00
Middleburg.....	98	40 00	74	20 00
Hillsboro.....	106	50 00	80	40 00
Hamilton.....	94	94 00	70	31 00
Marshall.....	115	100 00	87	60 00
Warrenton.....	88	70 00	67	50 00
Fairfax.....	100	130 00	76	76 00
Sterling.....	96	72 00	76	52 00
Occoquan.....	85	55 00	64	35 00
Fauquier.....	71	38 00	53	28 00
Sudley.....	71	28 00	53	20 00
Manassas.....	50	35 00	42	31 00
Stafford.....	46	11 00	39	9 00
Morrisville.....	45	12 00	34	9 00
	\$2,426	\$2,098 00	\$1,850	\$1,480
WINCHESTER DISTRICT.				
Winchester.....	\$ 167	\$ 110 00	\$ 127	\$ 65 60
Frederick Mission.....	69	22 00	53	20 00
Stephen City.....	97	87 00	74	30 00
Middletown.....	104	105 00	80	80 00
Strasburg.....	90	46 00	69	31 00
Woodstock.....	125	125 00	95	95 00
Woodstock Mission.....	7	7 00	5	5 00
Edinburg.....	69	23 50	53	20 00
Front Royal and Riverton.....	118	118 00	90	90 00
Front Royal and Riverton Mission.....	7	.....	5	.....
Warren.....	42	42 00	32	15 00
Linden.....	69	25 00	53	25 00
Page.....	55	15 00	42	10 00
White Post.....	97	80 00	74	26 00
Berryville.....	83	77 00	63	40 00
Brucetown.....	118	100 00	90	80 00
Martinsburg.....	139	139 00	106	106 00
Berkeley.....	83	85 00	63	63 00
Charles Town.....	125	125 00	95	95 00
Jefferson.....	118	120 00	90	91 00
Shepherdstown.....	97	97 00	74	74 00
Shenandoah Junction.....	21	6 00	15	5 00
	\$1,900	\$1,554 50	\$1,448	\$1,066 60

## ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

APPOINTMENTS.	FOREIGN MIS.		DOMESTIC MIS.	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.
ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.				
Staunton.....	\$195	\$195 00	\$149	\$149 00
E. End and Marques Mem'l.....	57	57 00	44	44 00
Harrisonburg .....	156	156 00	119	119 00
Bridgewater.....	114	95 00	87	54 00
Mt. Crawford .....	78	78 00	60	60 00
Parnassus .....	65	40 00	50	25 00
West Augusta.....	39	12 00	29	12 00
Augusta.....	74	45 00	56	30 00
Waynesboro.....	101	38 00	77	25 00
New Hope.....	59	15 00	45	11 00
Rockingham.....	60	28 00	46	12 00
E. Rockingham .....	65	35 00	50	19 00
Elkton.....	72	22 00	55	16 00
Port Republic .....	59	59 00	45	45 00
Shenandoah.....	55	40 00	42	25 00
Luray.....	65	65 00	50	30 00
New Market.. .....	49	23 00	37	17 00
Mt. Jackson .....	39	10 00	29	5 00
Marksville.....	39	20 00	29	15 00
Fairfield.....	65	18 00	50	13 00
Rockbridge Baths.....	39	3 00	29	2 00
Bell's Valley.....	39	5 00	29	5 00
	\$1,584	\$1,059 00	\$1,207	\$733 00
ROANOKE DISTRICT.				
Salem.....	\$110	\$110 00	\$84	\$84 00
Greene Memorial.....	207	212 00	158	161 00
Trinity... ..	126	126 00	95	95 00
St. James... ..	110	.....	84	.....
Grace... ..	110	52 00	84	50 00
Belmont.....	41	42 00	31	31 00
Vinton .....	82	82 00	62	62 00
Roanoke Circuit.....	55	18 00	42	18 00
Bethany .....	55	30 00	42	14 00
Buchanan.....	82	34 00	62	22 00
Fincastle. . . . .	96	30 00	74	17 00
Glen Wilton.....	69	61 00	53	47 00
Eagle Rock .....	44	.....	32	.....
Buena Vista.....	80	32 00	62	18 00
Rockbridge.....	55	20 00	42	15 00
Lexington.. ..	126	126 00	95	95 00
Collierstown.....	55	5 00	42	4 00
Elliston.....	55	30 00	42	22 00
Christiansburg.....	82	30 00	63	20 00
Blacksburg .....	76	76 00	58	30 00
Newport.....	68	27 00	52	15 00
New Castle.....	68	45 00	52	21 00
Catawba .....	34	13 00	26	11 00
	\$1,886	\$1,201 00	\$1,437	\$852 00

## ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR 1899 AND 1900.

APPOINTMENTS.	FOREIGN MIS.		DOMESTIC MIS.	
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.
<b>LEWISBURG DISTRICT.</b>				
Lewisburg .....	\$104	\$104 00	\$79	\$40 00
Frankford .....	109	56 00	83	40 00
Blue Sulphur.....	54	20 00	42	18 00
Green Sulphur.....	25	12 00	19	8 00
Hinton. ....	109	70 00	83	40 00
Talcott .....	49	18 00	37	17 00
Greenville and Peterstown.....	79	30 00	61	17 00
Alderson .....	84	40 00	64	20 00
Union .....	84	34 00	64	36 00
Ronceverte .....	64	66 00	49	50 00
White Sulphur .....	45	45 00	34	34 00
Alvon.....	30	8 00	23	6 00
Alleghany.....	49	49 00	38	38 00
Covington. ....	109	109 00	83	83 00
Clifton Forge .....	104	104 00	79	43 00
Millboro and Gilletts.....	45	18 00	34	17 00
Levelton. ....	99	75 00	75	25 00
Huntersville .....	49	15 00	38	12 00
Green Bank.....	59	5 00	45	.....
Hot Springs... ..	35	38 00	26	27 00
	\$1,385	\$916 00	\$1,056	\$571 00
<b>MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.</b>				
Moorefield.....	\$98	\$68 00	\$66	\$35 00
Petersburg.....	48	19 00	38	13 00
Franklin. ....	72	50 00	55	35 00
Crab Bottom.....	61	12 00	50	13 00
Keyser .....	100	88 00	80	69 00
Cumberland.....	35	35 00	25	25 00
Elk Garden.....	50	50 00	45	45 00
Piedmont .....	85	85 00	65	65 00
Frostburg .....	60	60 00	40	37 00
Flintstone .....	67	23 00	50	14 00
Romney .....	105	105 00	95	95 00
Springfield.....	95	85 00	65	50 00
Slanesville .....	63	32 00	45	24 00
Hardy .....	55	37 00	40	27 00
Morgan .....	53	6 00	41	6 00
Gainsboro .....	65	22 00	45	15 00
Wardensville.....	52	23 77	40	17 28
Capon Bridge.....	75	55 00	60	30 00
Listonburg.....	50	30 00	40	10 00
Monterey .....	80	80 00	60	60 00
McDowell.....	75	51 00	55	22 00
	\$1,444	\$1,016 77	\$1,100	\$707 28

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Allowed.	Paid.
<b>BALTIMORE DISTRICT.</b>		
Caernarvon, W. H. Best. ....	\$400	\$268 00
Wilkins Avenue, Wm. Stevens.....	400	268 00
Brunswick, S. M. Bowman.....	400	268 00
Brightwood, F. T. Griffith.....	200	134 00
	<b>\$1,400</b>	<b>\$938 00</b>
<b>EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.</b>		
North Baltimore, P. L. Groome .....	\$150	\$100 50
Charles, J. B. Henry.....	200	134 00
East Harford, J. F. Baggs.....	100	67 00
Easton, C. D. Harris.....	200	134 00
Caroline, Isaac W. Canter for B. S. Highly.....	50	33 50
Hillsboro, C. W. Moore.....	125	83 75
West River, C. M. Mark.....	150	100 50
Trappe George R. Mays.....	150	100 00
Kent, J. E. Wilson.....	75	50 25
Church Hill, J. W. Mitchell.....	125	83 75
Forrest Grove, F. Furr.....	200	134 00
Royal Oak, L. G. Martin.....	100	67 00
Taylor's, T. W. Brown.....	75	50 25
	<b>\$1,700</b>	<b>\$1,139 00</b>
<b>WASHINGTON DISTRICT.</b>		
Epworth Mission, J. L. Grant.....	\$200	\$134 00
West Washington and Del Ray, F. L. Day.....	300	201 00
Fairfax, for assistant, B. D. Harrison.....	100	67 00
Fauquier, J. C. Sedwick .....	100	67 00
Sudley, J. W. Bain.....	100	67 00
Manassas, D. L. Blakemore.....	100	67 00
Stafford, J. K. Gilbert.....	200	134 00
Morrisville, W. T. Gover.....	200	134 00
	<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$871 00</b>
<b>WINCHESTER DISTRICT.</b>		
White Post, } F. A. Gains. ....	{ \$150	{ \$50 25
do. do. } G. W. Staples.....		{ 50 25
Warren T. J. Miller.....	250	167 50
Page, J. H. Wolf.....	200	134 00
Woodstock Mission, W. J. Reeves.....	125	83 75
Shenandoah Junction, L. S. Rudisill.....	75	50 25
Frederick, L. Fox.....	275	184 25
	<b>\$1,075</b>	<b>\$720 25</b>

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Allowed.	Paid.
ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.		
East End and Marques Memorial, P. W. Jeffries.....	\$150	\$100 50
Bell's Valley, A. L. Harnsberger .....	100	67 00
New Market, R. M. Wheeler,.....	200	134 00
Mt. Jackson, T. Briley .....	250	167 50
Marksville, B. L. Parrott.....	150	100 50
Shenandoah, J. L. Henderson... ..	175	117 25
West Augusta, John W. Canter.. ..	300	201 00
Rockbridge Baths, A. C. McNeer.....	250	167 50
	\$1,575	\$1,055 25
ROANOKE DISTRICT.		
Grace, J. M. Greene .....	\$100	\$67 00
Belmont, H. Q. Burr.....	100	67 00
Roanoke Circuit, C. B. LeFew.....	125	83 75
Bethany, W. O. Ross .....	150	100 50
Buena Vista, G. T. D. Collins .....	250	167 50
Collierstown, A. P. Boude.....	200	134 00
Elliston, W. W. Watts ..	100	67 00
Catawba, L. H. Graybill.....	150	100 50
Glen Wilton, L. Butt.....	100	67 00
Eagle Rock, R. H. Wilson .....	100	67 00
	\$1,375	\$921 25
LEWISBURG DISTRICT.		
Green Sulphur, H. D. Bishop.....	\$200	\$134 00
Talcott, H. A. Wilson.....	200	134 00
White Sulphur, J. M. York.....	200	134 00
Union, O. F. Burgess.....	175	117 25
Alvon, J. M. Eavey.....	275	184 25
Alleghany, L. B. Atkins .....	125	83 75
Millboro and Gillets, M. P. Weikle,...	125	83 75
Hot Springs, H. T. Hieronimus.....	100	67 00
Green Bank, Mrs. A. C. Hamill.....	150	100 50
	\$1,550	\$1,038 50
MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.		
Petersburg, H. A. Murrill.....	\$100	\$67 00
Crab Bottom, J. W. McNeil... ..	100	67 00
Cumberland, J. H. Kuhlmann. ....	250	167 50
Morgan, C. M. Sarver.....	150	100 50
Gainsboro, N. N. Hall .....	150	100 50
Wardensville, D. W. Griffin.....	150	100 50
Listonburg, J. R. Jacobs.....	100	67 00
Flintstone, D. M. Brown.....	100	67 00
	\$1,100	\$737 00
Total Disbursements.....	\$11,075	\$7,420 25



## DR. RECAPITULATION AND BALANCE FOR APRIL 10, 1900. CR.

Balance from year 1898-1899. \$ 336 68	By Amount paid—	
<i>Received from Assessments:</i>	J. W. Reeves, Fort Mis-	
Baltimore District..... 3,015 50	sion, after report 1899..\$	32 00
East Balto. " ..... 1,802 61	Rev. Geo. T. Tyler, Pub-	
Washington " ..... 3,578 00	lishing Conf. Minutes..	22 00
Winchester " ..... 2,621 10	Baltimore District (Dom).	938 00
Rockingham " ..... 1,792 00	East Balto. " " 1,139 00	
Roanoke " ..... 2,053 00	Washington " " 871 00	
Lewisburg " ..... 1,487 00	Winchester " " 720 25	
Moorefield " ..... 1,724 05	Rockingham " " 1,055 25	
Collection, Washington, D.	Roanoke " " 921 25	
C. 1899..... 53 56	Lewisburg " " 1,038 50	
	Moorefield " " 737 00	
	Parent Board (foreign)... 10,652 27	
	By balance April 10, 1900.... 336 98	
Total .....\$18,463 50	Total.....	\$18,463 50

## SPECIAL NOTES.

The Epworth League of Front Royal charge raised \$25.00, and the Epworth League of the Valley Female College, of Winchester, Va., raised \$12.00, which amounts were used in stimulating the Foreign Missionary work in the Winchester District, and are reported in the aggregate amount raised in the District for Foreign Missions.

Lexington, Va., reports \$16.00 for Cuba and the New Hebrides Missions.

Staunton reports \$80.00 for Clopton School.

CHARGES WHICH HAVE OVERPAID FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC  
—OVERPAID ONE ASSESSMENT AND PAID THE OTHER—  
PAID FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC—PAID ONE  
ASSESSMENT IN FULL.

*Overpaid Foreign and Domestic.*

Winchester District—Jefferson.

Roanoke District—Greene Memorial.

Lewisburg—Ronceverte, Hot Springs.

*Overpaid one Assessment and paid the other in full.*

Washington District—Falls Church, Fairfax, (foreign.)

Winchester District—Middletown, Berkeley, (foreign.)

*Paid both Foreign and Domestic in full.*

Baltimore District—Central, St. Paul's, Emmanuel, Arlington and Sudbrook, Reisterstown, Frederick City, Brunswick.

East Baltimore District—Trinity, Calvary, West Harford, Tilghman's.

Washington District—Mount Vernon, Marvin, Epworth, West Washington and Del Ray, Alexandria, Fredericksburg, Leesburg.

Winchester District—Woodstock, Woodstock Mission, Front Royal and Riverton, Martinsburg, Charles Town, Shepherdstown.

Rockingham District—Staunton, East End and Marques Memorial, Harrisburg, Mount Crawford, Port Republic.

Roanoke District—Salem, Trinity, Belmont, Vinton, Lexington.

Lewisburg District—White Sulphur, Alleghany, Covington.

Moorefield District—Cumberland, Elk Garden, Piedmont, Romney, Monterey.

*Paid one Assessment in full.*

Baltimore District—Howard, (foreign.)

East Baltimore District—Taylor's, Queen Anne's, (foreign,) Kent, (domestic.)

Washington District—Loudoun, Hamilton, (foreign.)

Winchester District—Warren, (foreign.)

Rockingham District—Luray, (foreign.)

Roanoke District—Blacksburg, (foreign.)

Lewisburg District—Lewisburg, Clifton Forge, (foreign.)

Moorefield District—Frostburg, (foreign.)

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS FOR 1900 AND 1901.

<i>Baltimore District.</i>		<i>Rockingham District.</i>	
Caernarvon.....	\$400	East End and Marquies' Mem..	\$150
Wilken's Avenue.....	400	West Augusta.....	300
Brunswick .....	400	New Hope .....	175
Emory.....	200	Shenandoah.....	150
		New Market.....	150
		Mt. Jackson.....	225
		Marksville .....	150
		Fairfield.....	100
		Goshen.....	150
<i>East Baltimore District.</i>		<i>Roanoke District.</i>	
Charles.....	\$200	Grace .....	\$100
Church Hill .....	150	Roanoke Circuit.....	200
Easton .....	150	Buena Vista.....	200
Caroline.....	75	Collierstown.....	200
Hillsboro.....	200	Elliston.....	150
Trappe .....	150	Catawba.....	150
Royal Oak.....	150	Glen Wilton.....	100
West River.....	200	Eagle Rock, (contingent).....	100
Forest Grove.....	200		
St. Mary's.....	100		
<i>Washington District.</i>		<i>Lewisburg District.</i>	
West Washington and Del Ray	\$200	Talcott .....	\$200
Sterling.....	100	White Sulphur.....	150
Fairfax, (for assistant). ..	100	Union.....	175
Sudley .....	100	Alvon .....	200
Fauquier.....	100	Greenville.....	200
Remington .....	150	Bath.....	125
Stafford.....	250	Hot Springs.....	100
Morrisville.....	100	Gren Bank .....	125
		Peterstown .....	125
<i>Winchester District.</i>		<i>Moorefield District.</i>	
White Post.....	\$150	Petersburg.....	\$100
Warren.....	225	Cumberland .....	300
Page.....	200	Morgan.....	150
Woodstock Mission.....	175	Gainsboro.....	150
Shenandoah Junction.....	150	Listonburg .....	150
Frederick.....	250	Wardensville.....	150

The foregoing appropriations are subject to revision by the Conference Board of Missions at the first meeting of the Board after Conference assemblies in 1901.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. ALEXANDER, *Treasurer.*

# REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Baltimore Annual Conference, Methodist  
Episcopal Church, South*

## FATHERS AND BRETHREN :

It is with great pleasure I present to you the report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Baltimore Conference. There is no shadow of falling off; but in many regards, progress in our work is noted. About five hundred dollars over last year's amount is reported. We have lost in membership, I regret to say. We number sixty-nine adult societies, and thirty juvenile societies. Some of our juvenile societies have been merged into the Epworth Leagues; so, though they do not count on our roll, they are not lost to the church.

We have received no large gift during the year; but love for souls have stirred our women to generous giving. We plan to make our share of the Twentieth Century Offering, twenty-five hundred dollars; and this we wish to give without detracting from what our pastors will raise.

We feel that we can only fail in our work, unless we have the moral support of the Conference. We ask the pastors to help us with advice and co-operation; and pledge ourselves in turn to support them in their undertakings.

We feel that no small portion of our success during the past year is due to the kindness shown to us by the editors of the Baltimore Christian Advocate; who ungrudgingly have placed at our service a page in their valuable paper; and have with kindness and judgment given us suggestions of practical value. We ask a continuance of this favor, which we most heartily appreciate.

NINA WILSON, *Conf. Cor. Sec.*

# REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

*From March 1899 to March 1900.*

Received for General Fund from Adult and Juvenile Societies..	\$2,846 30
Week of Prayer and Thank Offering.....	138 88
Scholarships.....	102 50
Korea ....	111 21
Cuba .....	10 00
China.....	55 00
Mexico .....	30 00
Mite Boxes.....	16 18
Day School in China. ....	100 00
Miss Wilson's Pledge, apart from Life Members...	70 84
Special Call.....	29 15
Twentieth Century Fund.....	122 43
Library .....	3 40
Cradle Roll.....	1 25
Expenses of Missionaries.....	4 00
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	\$3,641 14
Remitted to Mrs. H. N. McTyeire, Treasurer....	\$3,470 06
Miss Barnes, Editor of "Little Worker".	1 25
Mrs. Strother for Library.....	3 40
On hand for Twentieth Century Fund.....	122 43
Work in China.....	40 00
Expenses of New Missionaries.....	4 00
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	\$3,641 14

Honorary life members, 1. Life members, 29.

VIRGINIA C. MASSIE, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE

FOR THE YEARS 1899-1900.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Receipts.*

1900.

April 11. To balance on hand last year.....	\$34 23
" collections for Bishops.....	2,261 00
" collections for Superannuated.....	9,515 00
" collections for Education.....	1,554 00
" collections for Paine and Lane.....	346 00
" collections for Bible.....	465 00
From Corporate Board of Finance.....	1,200 00
" Calvin Fund.....	24 00
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	\$15,399 23

*Disbursements.*

1900.

April 11. Paid Bishops... ..	\$2,261 00
" Paine and Lane Institute.....	346 00
" Bible Societies.....	465 00
" Superannuated. . . . .	10,574 00
" Conference Education Board.....	1,554 00
" Committee on Publishing Minutes.....	7 50
" for Treasurer's book, blanks, envelopes.	30 75
Balance on hand. ....	160 98
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	\$15,399 23

## COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS, 1899 AND 1900.

	1899.	1900.	Increase.
Bishops.....	\$1,974	\$2,226	\$252
Superannuated.....	9,086	9,515	429
Educational.....	1,487	1,554	67
Paine and Lane.....	308	346	38
Bible.....	377	465	88

## PAYMENT PER MEMBER.

Baltimore District.....	54 cents.
East Baltimore District....	30 "
Washington District .....	32 "
Winchester District.....	26 "
Rockingham District.....	22 "
Roanoke District.....	22 "
Lewisburg District.....	20 "
Moorefield District.....	21 "

## ESTIMATES FOR 1900 AND 1901.

DISTRICTS.	Bishop.	Sup'd.	Educa'l.	Paine and Lane.
Baltimore.....	\$447	\$2,012	\$352	\$75
East Baltimore.....	380	1,709	299	63
Washington.....	493	2,218	388	82
Winchester..	386	1,736	303	64
Rockingham .....	338	1,523	266	57
Roanoke .....	373	1,679	293	62
Lewisburg .....	295	1,325	232	49
Moorefield.....	288	1,298	227	48
	\$3,000	\$13,500	\$2,360	\$500

## PAID CLAIMANTS ON SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Mrs. A. O. Armstrong .....	\$200 50	J. J. Crickenberger .....	\$300 00
" G. B. Allen .....	100 50	C. L. Damaron.....	400 00
" M. G. Balthis.....	200 50	W. G. Eggleston.....	450 00
" A. B. Blue.....	201 50	J. M. Follansbee.....	225 00
" G. G. Brooke .....	175 50	J. S. Gardner .....	150 00
" W. G. Coe.....	150 50	H. A. Gaver ..	325 00
" R. S. Cunningham....	276 50	Wesley Hammond.....	100 00
" J. M. Grandin .....	200 50	Nelson Head.....	200 00
" L. R. Greene.....	252 00	William Hedges.....	250 00
" S. W. Haddaway .....	150 00	C. A. Joyce.....	250 00
" Thos. Hildebrand....	150 50	C. G. Linthicum' .....	300 00
" John Landstreet .....	150 50	John T. Maxwell....	250 00
" J. F. Liggett.....	150 50	F. M. Mills .....	50 00
" M. M. Long .....	302 00	F. A. Mercer ..	225 00
" J. H. March .....	200 50	J. S. Porter.....	200 00
" L. C. Miller.....	352 00	P. S. E. Sixeas.....	250 00
" W. J. Perry.....	100 50	Robert Smith.....	300 00
" H. C. Fitzer.....	100 50	J. O. Tackett .....	150 00
" Sam'l Regester.....	175 50	S. Townsend .....	250 00
" S. R. Snapp .....	176 00	J. H. Waugh .....	550 00
" W. R. Stringer.....	126 50	Q. A. Wheat.....	275 00
" John Trone .....	75 50	C. M. Brown's Children....	252 00
" S. S. Troy.....	176 00	George Zimmerman.....	50 00
" E. G. Vandiver.....	202 00	J. S. Hopkins.....	50 00
" W. A. Wade.....	175 50		
T. W. Brown.....	250 00		\$10,574 00

## CLAIMANTS FOR 1900 AND 1901.

CLAIMANTS.	P. O. ADDRESS.	DISTRICT.
Mrs. A. O. Armstrong	Rockville, Md.	Baltimore.
" G. B. Allen	Columbia, Va.	Virginia Conference.
" M. G. Balthis	New Market, Md.	Baltimore.
" A. B. Blue	Staunton, Va.	Rockingham.
" G. G. Brooke	Lewisburg, W. Va.	Lewisburg.
" W. G. Coe	Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore.
" R. S. Cunningham	Summit Point, W. Va.	Winchester.
" J. M. Grandin	Washington, D. C.	Washington.
" L. R. Greene	Rockville, Md.	Baltimore.
" S. W. Haddaway	Washington, D. C.	Washington.
" T. Hildebrand	McDowell, Va.	Moorefield.
" J. Landstreet	Piedmont, W. Va.	Moorefield.
" J. F. Liggett	Staunton, Va.	Rockingham.
" M. M. Long	Hamburg, Va.	Winchester.
" J. H. March	Middletown, Va.	Winchester.
" L. C. Miller	Harrisonburg, Va.	Rockingham.
" W. J. Perry	Staunton, Va.	Rockingham.
" H. C. Pitzer	Lexington, Va.	Roanoke.
" S. Register	Alexandria, Va.	Washington.
" S. R. Snapp	Grottoes, Va.	Rockingham.
" W. R. Stringer	Glyndon, Md.	Baltimore.
" John Trone	Heiskell, Va.	Moorefield.
" S. S. Troy	Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore.
" E. G. Vandiver	Ashland, Va.	Virginia Conference.
" W. A. Wade	Washington, D. C.	Washington.
T. W. Brown	Gardenville, Md.	East Baltimore.
Brown, C. M. (Children)	Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore.
J. J. Crickenberger	Lewisburg, W. Va.	Lewisburg.
C. L. Damaron	Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore.
W. G. Eggleston	Middletown, Va.	Winchester.
Mrs. J. M. Follansbee	Glade Spring, Va.	Holston Conference.
J. S. Gardner	Jessups, Md.	Baltimore.
H. A. Gaver	Middletown, Va.	Winchester.
Mrs. Wesley Hammond	Romney, W. Va.	Moorefield.
Nelson Head	Leesburg, Va.	Washington.
William Hedges	Martinsburg, W. Va.	Winchester.
C. A. Joyce	Gambrills, Md.	Baltimore.
C. G. Linthicum	Washington, D. C.	Washington.
John T. Maxwell	Staunton, Va.	Rockingham.
F. A. Mercer	Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore.
J. S. Porter	Front Royal, Va.	Winchester.
P. S. E. Sixeas	New Castle, Va.	Roanoke.
Robert Smith	Manassas, Va.	Washington.
J. O. Tackett	Remington, Va.	Washington.
S. Townsend	St. Augustine, Md.	East Baltimore.
J. H. Waugh	Harrisonburg, Va.	Rockingham.
Q. A. Wheat	Port Republic, Va.	Rockingham.
H. D. Bishop	Harrisonburg, Va.	Rockingham.
Thomas Briley	Harrisonburg, Va.	Rockingham.
F. T. Griffith	Brightwood, D. C.	Washington.
L. G. Martin		
Mrs. J. D. Martin	Charlottesville, Va.	Virginia Conference.
Mrs. A. C. Hamill		
Mrs. E. H. Henry		
E. L. Kregeloe	Roanoke, Va.	Roanoke.
J. S. Hopkins	Strasburg, Va.	Winchester.

JOHN B. MYERS, *Secretary.*



## REPORTS.

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### THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

#### REPORT No. 1.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6, 1900.

*To the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

In undertaking the Twentieth Century Movement, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South has entered upon the greatest campaign it has ever attempted.

This movement was planned by the last General Conference and received a hearty and unanimous endorsement from our own Annual Conference at its session in 1899. The Church is fully committed to the work, and it must go forward. Failure to accomplish what the constituted authorities of our great Church have set before us to be done, would not only be humiliating and disappointing, but disorganizing and perilous to our Church as a connectional organization. Failure to keep step to the great world-wide movement for which the hosts of Methodism are being marshalled would forfeit the honorable position in its ranks which we hold.

The Board of Education still feel, as expressed in their report of last year, that our membership can, with few exceptions, be brought to look upon the movement as a glorious opportunity for giving expression to the gratitude which all God's people must feel, for the wonderful things that he has wrought during the century about to close. The all-important problem now before us is to provide means for bringing the subject fully before all our people, to the end that all may be educated up to their duty with respect to this movement, and reminded of the privileges which it affords them.

Let us resolve, that so far as we are concerned, the movement to raise a million and a half of dollars by the first of the new century, for the support of the educational work of our Church, shall be successful.

So far \$746,000 has been secured.

The Baltimore Conference has assumed, as the minimum amount to be raised within its bounds, \$62,500.

Our opportunity is our call. The century now closing has been a glorious one in many ways, and we ought to thank God for the material blessings, and for the intellectual, moral and spiritual development which he has so marvelously multiplied and strengthened. As Methodists, we should be most profoundly thankful for the rich harvest of souls which he has made our Church the means of bringing to Him. The new century will be yet more wonderful than the closing one, if we are true to our trust. What shall we render to the Lord for all his benefits? We are to give expression to our gratitude by turning our material wealth into the intellectual and spiritual wealth of our children. We cannot afford to prove ourselves unworthy of the great work committed to us by our Church.

We will not fail if the work is carried out in the spirit of prayer and consecration and sincere anxiety for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ.

The time is short. The whole Church must awake. We must organize. We must work.

We recommend that a Twentieth Century Committee, with the pastor as chairman, be organized in each charge; that through this committee literature may be distributed and every member and friend of our Church given an opportunity, and, if necessary, urged to make an offering for this cause. We further recommend that a committee of five, with the Presiding Elder as chairman, and two ministers and two laymen, to be chosen by this board, be formed in each district, to organize the canvass in their respective districts in co-operation with the Executive Committee, and after conferring with the pastors, to arrange for the presentation of the movement in each charge.

We commend the work of the Executive Committee formed last year, and are pleased to report that they have distributed literature and otherwise diligently carried on the work of enlightening the people concerning the movement. So far as known, (it is impossible now to make a complete statement) there has been subscribed in our Conference about \$10,000, and this, we think, has been largely secured through the efforts of the Executive Committee. We recommend that that committee be continued for the purposes indicated in last year's report.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. KENNEDY, *Chairman.*

## REPORT NO. 2.

### *The Randolph-Macon System of Schools.*

The Board of Education of the Baltimore Conference is glad to commend again to the attention and confidence of the Church and the general public this system of schools.

Chancellor Smith has relaxed none of his efforts to maintain their high standard of excellence, and to deserve fully the approval and benefactions of our people in their behalf.

#### 1. *Randolph-Macon College.*

The old college at Ashland, though not now under the presidency, as in recent years, of a member of this body, may yet be assured of the unfailing and hearty interest of the Baltimore Conference.

In Rev. W. G. Starr, D. D., recently appointed president, we recognize an able and eminently fitted successor to Dr. Kern, welcome him to our Conference bounds and charges, personally and officially, and promise him our zealous co-operation in behalf of the College. Meanwhile we are glad to learn from Dr. Starr, whose absence from our Conference session on account of sickness we regret, that the College has a larger enrollment of students than for any one of the past nine years, and that the "young men are studious, orderly, cheerful, healthy and obedient," and, with the faculty, are seeking to maintain a high standard of scholarship in a spirit of devotion to God and Methodism.

#### 2. *Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal.*

The high standard of this Academy has been fully sustained the past year.

Prof. A. L. Meiton, principal, is eminently qualified for that position, and, aided as he is by teachers of marked ability and devotion to christian education, a most thorough academie work is the result.

This Board most earnestly recommends the Front Royal Academy as, in every way, worthy of the patronage and support of all our people, and others who have sons to educate.

The attendance this year is a slight increase over that of last year.

### *3. Randolph-Macon Woman's College.*

The Woman's College at Lynchburg continues to grow in accommodations, efficiency and patronage. Its affairs are now receiving the personal and continuous attention of Chancellor Smith.

Within the past year the buildings have been completed and furnished according to the original designs, thus adding to the comforts and conveniences of its residents and its capacity for boarding pupils; and notwithstanding the additional room, it was nearly all taken as soon as ready.

We call attention again that this College is listed by the United States Commissioner of Education in "Class A," and for attendance, equipment and resources it stands eighth in this class, of fourteen colleges for the education of women.

### *4. Other Schools of the System.*

The Academy at Bedford City, Va., and the Institute at Danville, Va., a school preparatory to the Woman's College, are as the Academies at Bedford City and Front Royal to the College at Ashland, are having a prosperous year and are doing good work.

### *Valley Female College.*

This school, with Rev. J. P. Hyde, D. D. LL. D., as president, is reported as having had a very successful year, and giving careful training to its students. We cheerfully renew our endorsement and commend it to our people.

### *Fairmount Seminary.*

We note with pleasure the establishment of this Institution for young ladies, by Prof. A. T. Ramsay, at 2025 13th street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and extend him a welcome to our bounds, and wish him great success.

### *Paine and Lane Institutes.*

It is very gratifying to note the evidences of progress made by these schools. The number of former pupils who are occupying positions of usefulness in the Church and in the world gives promise of still larger results.

We recommend that the subscriptions made by members of this Conference on April 6th last be recorded in a special book of record and be entered upon the Minutes of this session, with leave to other members to add their subscriptions to the roll and record. We recommend also that the subscription card used in that collection be the authorized subscription card of our Twentieth Century Offering canvass.

We request Bishop Candler to furnish us a copy of his admirable address on the Twentieth Century Offering for publication, to be used throughout our Conference in the interest of that movement.

The Board recommends an assessment of \$2,360, of which \$360 shall be for the General Board of Education, and \$2,000 for the benefit of Randolph-Macon College at Ashland, Va. Also an assessment of \$500 in aid of Paine and Lane Institutes.

The Board recommends the appointment of Rev. J. A. Kern, D. D., and of Rev. Collins Denny, D. D., as professors of Vanderbilt University, and

of Rev. J. P. Hyde, D. D., as president of the Valley Female College; also of Ernest L. Woolf and Frank A. Tyler as students in Vandervilt University.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. H. P. Hamill as Conference Secretary of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. KENNEDY, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

### LITERATURE.

Nothing but words of praise and commendation can be given our ably-edited and attractively printed Sunday School literature, issued by our publishing house at Nashville. Every Sunday School in our bounds should use these periodicals in preference to all others, if we would be loyal to our Church and true to our own interests and the welfare of our children.

### CHILDREN'S DAY.

The Board will continue to furnish free programmes to all schools which will observe the discipline concerning Children's Day. We urge upon every Sunday School to faithfully observe "Children's Day," as directed by our discipline, and to remit promptly the collections taken on this day to the treasurer of our Board, Mr. W. H. Thomas, Leesburg, Va. It is a violation of our Church laws to divert this collection to any other use, and yet many of our schools habitually do this. Of the \$768 reported to the statistical secretary as collected on Children's Day last year, \$150 has not found its way into the treasury of the Board.

### SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Past experience has encouraged us to believe the provision for holding a Conference Sunday School Convention a most wise one, and we urge all our schools to take an interest in making the convention the success it should be. The arrangements for the convention to be held this summer have been left in the hands of Hon. M. L. Walton, president, Mr. W. W. Millan, secretary, and Rev. Dr. C. M. Hawkins, as an Executive Committee. Due notice will be given of the time and place of meeting.

### CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION.

We deem it important that our children and young people should be instructed in the doctrine and polity of our Church. To this end we urge that more attention be given in our schools to the use of our catechisms, that the teachings of our Church may be more generally and thoroughly impressed upon those under our care in our Sunday Schools.

### STATISTICS.

According to reports presented to our Conference, there are this year 577 schools, a decrease of 20; 5,491 officers and teachers, a decrease of 349; and 40,906 scholars, a decrease of 738. We deplore even a seeming decrease in numbers in this important branch of our work. The amount collected for Sunday Schools is \$12,280, an increase of \$2,020; for Missions, \$11,809, an increase of \$1,312; for Children's Day, \$768, an increase of \$171.

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID TO NEEDY SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Applications for aid to needy Sunday Schools must be sent to Rev. C. S. Stanton, Rev. W. M. Waters or W. H. Thomas, the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HAWK, *Secretary.*

C. S. STANTON, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF TREASURER SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

March 28, 1898—To balance on hand at close of Hinton Conference \$310 51

*Cr.*

By stationery, printing, postage, etc. ....	\$ 45 25	
Paid Barbee & Smith, acct. needy Sunday Schools.....	175 61	
	<hr/>	\$220 86

Balance on hand .....		\$89 65
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April 7, 1900—By Cash paid Conf. Board of Education... \$ 44 82

April 7, 1900—By Cash paid parent S. S. Board.....	44 83	
	<hr/>	\$ 89 65

*Receipts from the Several Districts for the Year 1898 and 1899.*

<i>Baltimore District</i> —Arlington.....	\$12 05	
Wesley Grove.....	12 00	
Beltsville.....	13 00	
Montgomery.....	1 00	
Frederick City.....	2 65	
Sudbrook.....	9 18	
Frederick Avenue.....	8 60	
Freedom .....	17 00	
Central. ....	6 00	
Reisterstown.....	3 00	
Emory.....	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$86 48

<i>East Baltimore District</i> —Charles Circuit .....	2 00	
West River.....	6 00	
Jarrettsville.....	6 42	
Severn.....	9 68	
Calvary .....	1 93	
Royal Oak.....	5 00	
Chesapeake.....	8 00	
Taylors.....	17 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 56 03

<i>Washington District</i> —Frederickburg.....	8 18	
Hillsboro .....	6 00	
Warrenton.....	3 25	
Leesburg ...	5 30	
Sudley.....	3 50	
Sterling.....	10 00	
Manassas....	4 00	
Stafford.. .	3 00	
Fairfax.....	3 00	
Marshall.....	12 00	
Loudoun.....	6 40	
	<hr/>	\$64 63

<i>Winchester District</i> —Middletown.....	5 23	
White Post.....	1 70	
Front Royal.....	5 00	
Shepherdstown.....	10 00	
Brucetown .....	8 00	
Stephens City .....	4 05	
Berkeley.....	7 00	
Cedarville.....	3 68	
Warren .....	1 00	
Frederick. ....	18 47	
	<hr/>	\$64 13

<i>Rockingham District</i> —			
	Pleasant View .....	4 70	
	Basic City.....	3 00	
	New Hope.....	3 00	
	New Market.....	2 00	
	Rockbridge Baths.....	1 80	
	West Augusta.....	7 00	
	Plunkettsville.....	2 38	
	La Fayette. ....	1 00	
			\$24 88
<i>Roanoke District</i> —			
	Grace.....	4 00	
	Vinton .....	4 00	
	Belmont .....	2 00	
	Greene Memorial.....	11 54	
	Roanoke Ct.....	2 00	
	Colesville.....	3 40	
	Blacksburg.....	3 71	
	Falling Springs.....	2 88	
	Fincastle... ..	2 40	
			\$35 93
<i>Lewisburg District</i> —			
	Millboro.....	1 00	
	Hot Springs.....	4 50	
	Alvon.....	2 00	
	Emmanuel.....	2 62	
	Alderson ... ..	4 00	
			\$14 12
	Unknown.....		45 45
Total.....			\$401 65
<i>Cr.</i>			
By 10 per cent. paid parent Sunday School Board.....		\$40 16	
By 10 per cent. paid parent Board of Education.....		40 17	
			80 33
Balance on hand for distribution to needy Sunday Schools ..			\$321 32
April 5, 1899—Balance on hand.....			\$321 32
Paid postage, printing, etc ..		\$ 42 96	
Paid Conference Minutes... ..		7 00	
Paid needy Sunday Schools.....		143 81	
			193 77
Balance on hand.....			\$127 55
April 7, 1900—By cash paid Conf. Board of Education..		\$63 78	
Cash paid parent Sunday School Board.....		63 77	
			\$127 55

*Receipts for the Several Districts for the Year 1899 and 1900.*

<i>Baltimore District</i> —			
	Central and Cænarvon.....	\$ 1 50	
	St. Paul's.....	6 00	
	Emmanuel.....	6 00	
	Howard.....	4 00	
	Reisterstown .....	8 00	
	Freedom.....	6 42	
	Frederick City.....	2 00	
	Brunswick.....	1 75	
	Rockville.....	15 00	
	Gaithersburg.....	8 00	
	Montgomery.....	13 09	

Beltsville.....	5 00
Hyattsville.....	5 00
Emory.....	3 00
Wesley Grove.....	18 00
	<hr/> \$102 76

<i>East Baltimore District</i> —Trinity.....	10 00
Taylor's .....	15 32
West Harford.....	12 00
Kent.....	12 00
Queen Anne.....	2 00
Trappe....	1 52
Severn.....	9 00
Chesapeake .....	14 00
West River....	7 00
Calvary .....	3 00
Prince George.....	4 00
Charles.....	2 00
	<hr/> \$91 84

<i>Washington District</i> —Mount Vernon.....	15 00
Marvin .....	3 00
Alexandria.....	2 00
Fredericksburg.....	8 20
Falls Church.....	9 00
Loudoun.....	3 00
Hamilton .....	7 17
Hillsboro.....	6 55
Middleburg.....	9 60
Sterling....	5 06
Fairfax.....	4 33
Marshall .....	1 00
Warrenton.....	4 50
Ocoquan.....	2 67
Sudley.....	5 00
Manassas.....	12 00
Fauquier.....	8 20
Stafford.....	5 95
Morrisville.....	4 00
	<hr/> \$116 23

<i>Winchester District</i> —Winchester..	2 09
Frederick... ..	6 62
Stephens City ..	1 20
Middletown... ..	4 00
Edinburg.....	3 00
White Post.....	2 25
Berryville .....	6 50
Brucetown.....	11 71
Martinsburg .....	3 80
Berkeley... ..	4 00
Jefferson.....	5 00
Shepherdstown....	5 00
	<hr/> \$55 17

<i>Rockingham District</i> —Staunton.....	9 00
East End .....	2 90
Harrisonburg.....	5 00
West Augusta.....	2 50
Waynesboro .....	6 35
East Rockingham.....	4 75



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Shenandoah.....	3 00	
New Market.....	4 00	
Fairfield .....	2 00	
Rockbridge Baths.....	3 10	
Mt. Crawford.....	8 00	
		<hr/> \$50 60
<i>Roanoke District</i> —Greene Memorial.....	12 00	
Grace.....	2 65	
Vinton... ..	3 00	
Buena Vista.....	4 87	
Lexington... ..	5 00	
Elliston... ..	2 00	
Blacksburg.....	3 00	
New Castle.....	2 25	
Catawba.....	1 61	
Belmont.....	3 00	
		<hr/> \$39 38
<i>Lewisburg District</i> —Lewisburg .....	6 19	
Frankfort .....	14 45	
Blue Sulphur .....	2 00	
Alderson.....	4 38	
Greenville... ..	9 40	
White Sulphur.....	1 00	
Alvon.....	1 00	
Millboro.....	1 20	
Levelton .....	2 00	
		<hr/> \$41 52
<i>Moorefield District</i> —Moorefield.....	4 00	
Petersburg .....	2 83	
Franklin .....	13 00	
Crab Bottom.....	7 00	
Keyser.....	5 00	
Elk Garden.....	2 00	
Piedmont.....	3 00	
Romney.....	25 00	
Springfield.....	7 30	
Slanesville.....	5 00	
Hardy.....	2 55	
Morgan... ..	1 97	
Gainsboro.....	2 00	
Capon Bridge.....	2 00	
Listonburg .....	2 71	
McDowell .....	5 06	
Cumberland.. ..	3 00	
		<hr/> \$93 42
Unknown .....		2 48
		<hr/> \$593 50
Total.....		
<i>Cr.</i>		
By 10 per cent. paid Parent Sunday School Board.....	\$59 35	
By 10 per cent. paid Parent Board of Education .....	59 35	
Paid Barbee & Smith for Programs.....	140 90	
		<hr/> \$259 60
Balance on hand for distribution to needy Sunday Schools		\$333 90

W. H. THOMAS, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

It is gratifying to be able to report a steady increase in the receipts of the Board from year to year. Last year they were \$102 in advance of the previous year. This year the increase is \$132 over the last, making the percentage on assessments 63 $\frac{1}{4}$ . We are in advance of most of the Conferences in our connection in this regard, and yet far below the standard we could reach with a little more earnest effort and should seek to attain. There is no reason why we should not very closely approximate the total amount of the annual assessments. This would enable us to meet every claim upon our funds without abatement. If the preachers in our various charges would bring the subject of Church Extension to the attention of their congregations, and show the important relation it sustains to the most vital interests of the Church, and what a vast amount of good it has accomplished in our own Conference, we are satisfied our receipts from year to year would be largely increased.

Some statistics from the report of the Parent Board will show what has been achieved through this great department of Church enterprise during the seventeen years of its existence. Of the 14,241 churches now owned by our denomination, 4160, or a little less than one-third, have been aided by our organization, and of the \$22,003,165 at which our churches are valued, \$1,048,091, or a little less than one-twentieth, has been furnished by it during its brief history.

According to the General Minutes of 1898, 155 church buildings were added to our number during the year, besides the many new and better ones that have taken the place of others. And yet there are 2681 organized societies in our Church without houses of worship. In view of this fact, as well as the ever-growing demands for help from all quarters of our territory, no effort should be spared to supply these pressing needs as early as possible. And now that the Board has extended its system of relief into the foreign field, the necessity is the more urgent to give it our liberal and hearty support in this enlarged sphere of its operations.

The Treasurer's report, which accompanies this, will show the amounts received and expended during the year, and the appropriations for aid. We have been able to do something for all the Churches applying for help but not to the extent we desired.

We append to this the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer of the Woman's Home Mission Society of our Conference, and again heartily commend this important branch of our work to the support of our ministry and membership.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. ANDREW, *Secretary, pro tem.*

SAMUEL K. COX, *President.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT CHURCH EXTENSION.

*Receipts.*

April 11, 1899—Balance on hand.....	\$	7	43	
April 7, 1900—Received on assessments.....		2,543	44	
				\$2,550 87

*Disbursements.*

April 7, 1900—Remitted parent Board.....	\$1,266	00	
postage, printing, etc.....		11	44
			1,277 44
Balance for distribution.....			\$1,273 43

*Appropriations to Churches.*

St. John's, Roanoke District.....	\$400 00	
Luray, Rockingham District.....	125 00	
Cumberland, Moorefield District.....	200 00	
Liberty, Washington District.....	83 00	
Sterling, Washington District.....	62 00	
Hume, Winchester District.....	80 00	
Bolar Springs, Lewisburg District.....	120 00	
Mt. Alexander, Lewisburg District.....	60 00	
Capon Bridge, Moorefield District.....	40 00	
Goshen, Rockingham District.....	60 00	
Wesleyan, Washington District. . .	40 00	
Balance..	3 43	
		\$1,273 43

*Assessments and Payments by Districts.*

DISTRICTS.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Deficit.	Paid in 1899.	Incr. this year.	Decr. this year.
Baltimore.....	\$591	\$413	\$178	\$399	\$14	.....
East Baltimore....	535	256	279	236	20	.....
Washington.....	665	530	135	527	3	.....
Winchester.....	524	370	154	320	50	.....
Rockingham... ..	449	257	192	278	.....	\$21
Roanoke.. . . .	497	300	197	321	.....	21
Lewisburg . . . .	347	185	162	161	24	.....
Moorefield . . . .	392	233	159	212	21	.....
Total.....	\$4,000	\$2,544	\$1,456	\$2,454	\$132	\$42

*Assessments for 1900-1901.*

Baltimore District.....	\$591 00
East Baltimore District. . .	535 00
Washington District. . . .	665 00
Winchester District. . . .	524 00
Rockingham District.. .	449 00
Roanoke District . . . .	497 00
Lewisburg District.....	347 00
Moorefield District.....	392 00
	\$4,000 00

P. D. V. CONWAY, *Treasurer.*REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY FOR  
THE YEAR 1899-1900.

Total number of adult auxiliaries.....	39
Total number of adult members.....	637
Total number of young people and juvenile auxiliaries.....	8
Total number of young people and juvenile members.....	204
Total number of members in the Conference.....	841
Total number added during year.....	210
Total number lost during year .....	38

Number of meetings held during year. ....	225
Number of auxiliaries that held every meeting during year.....	52
Average attendance during year.....	168
Names of life members made during year.....	3
(Mrs. Moses Walton, Mrs. W. H. Beehler, Mrs. Susan Stringfellow.)	
Total number of life members.....	5
Total number on Baby Roll. ....	277
Number of members on Baby Roll added during year.....	157
Number of subscribers to "Our Homes" .....	126
Number of subscribers added during year.. ..	26
Number taking Home Mission Reading Course.....	27
Number of adult mite boxes in use.....	67
Number of baby mite boxes in use.....	277
Number pledged to proportionate and systematic giving ..	67
No. of boxes of supplies sent off and reported to Supt. of Supply Dept..	5
Number of papers and leaflets distributed.....	4,459
Number of annual reports distributed. ....	524
Number of auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer.....	5
Number of District Secretaries reporting quarterly.....	7
Number of annual district meetings held.....	2
Number of district parsonages .....	5
Number of visits made to sick and strangers.....	1,748
Number of visits made to corrective or benevolent institutions.....	10
Number of cottage prayer meetings or Bible readings held.....	40
Number of garments in good order distributed.....	194

Mrs. J. C. Jones, Mrs. M. E. Rowzie and Mrs. J. R. Andrew have been made patrons to the P. W. Loan Fund. Revs. J. C. Jones, B. W. Bond, J. C. Sedwick, J. R. Andrew, L. L. Lloyd, W. H. D. Harper, E. V. Regester, Thomas Cooper, R. M. Wheeler, and Mrs. J. O. Tackett, Mrs. Thomas Cooper and Mrs. R. M. Wheeler have been made patrons to the Educational Endowment Fund. The work has been presented at five District Conferences, and we rejoice that our brethren of the ministry are recognizing this organization more and more as a regular part of the organic machinery of Southern Methodism. It has the advantage over the former aid society, in that, while it does no less for its own local parsonage, it broadens out into connectional work and also the great work of Home Missions. It is with gratitude to our Heavenly Father, who has owned and blessed our labors in this department of His vineyard, that we call your attention to the fact that there has been a healthy and encouraging increase over the statistics of last year. Two parsonages have been helped, Waynesboro and Lexington, to the extent of \$125. It is not possible to estimate the results of the number of visits made in Christ's name to the sick and strangers, corrective and benevolent institutions, and the cottage prayer meetings held and Bible readings given, beside the practical work of supplying the necessities of God's heroes of the Cross, and the poor that "we have always with us."

Our society has not grown as rapidly as we earnestly hoped it would in the last ten years of its existence in this Conference, but we take comfort in the fact that most all great movements spring from small beginnings. Its development has been sure and abiding, because it grows only in the soil of that thoroughly consecrated Christian womanhood that is willing to do in person the missionary work that she pays some other woman to go to foreign lands and do.

We beg your co-operation in our efforts to raise our part of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering for the benefit of our educational schools in Key West, Tampa, California, and among the mountain whites of Kentucky and Tennessee, and the industrial training schools in our various cities. The amount raised by our societies, being a part of the regular Thank Offering asked of our whole Church, can be included in the reports of the different pastors in whose charges it is raised. The money is sent to the Conference Treasurer of our Home Mission Board. We respectfully ask a continuance of your interest in the work you have authorized us to do.

MRS. C. H. BUCHANAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

### REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

Total amount reported as raised and expended for various objects. \$2,422 10  
 Received by treasurer..... 1,184 34

Whole amount received..... \$3,606 44

Received by treasurer..... \$1,184 34  
 Disbursed by treasurer..... 1,132 80

Balance in treasury... .. \$51 54  
 March 1, 1900. MRS. W. W. B. GALLAHER, *Treasurer*.

### REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

The Epworth League Board, after full consultation with our General Secretary, Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D., and carefully weighing the facts concerning the place and progress of the League in our Conference, submits the following report:

A summary of the pastors' reports shows the following results:

Number of chapters now in our Conference, 211, a decrease of two.

Number of League members, 9,244, an increase of 1,041, indicating intensive development of League work.

In order to make the force of our Board most effective during the year, we have organized it after the model of the regular Epworth League Constitutions, and have added to the officers already in the Board, Rev. J. E. Wilson as First Vice-President, Rev. W. H. H. Joyce as Second Vice-President, Fred. E. Woodward as Third Vice-president, J. S. Richey as Treasurer, and Rev. J. L. Kibler as Superintendent of Junior League work. George H. Lamar continues as Corresponding Secretary of the Board.

The new organization of the Board and the character of duties imposed upon the members thereof, render it important that Presiding Elders, Pastors, District and Chapter officers of the League co-operate in furnishing our Corresponding Secretary, from time to time, as they are elected, with the names and post-office addresses of the President, Secretary and Vice-Presidents of the senior, the Superintendents of the junior chapters, as well as with the names and addresses of the officers of each of the district Leagues. To this end it is the sense of this Board that the Pastors and Presidents of the chapters be enjoined to have such information communicated to the Corresponding Secretary promptly upon the election or appointment of such officers.

Blanks will also be furnished the Presiding Elders in advance of Conference for distribution among the several Pastors, to be filled out and delivered to the Corresponding Secretary of this Board upon the assemblage of Conference.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That we do not this year attempt to hold a Conference League Conference but that the District work along with that tending to produce greater efficiency in individual Chapters receive the benefit of our effort, and to this end a committee has been appointed to prepare a uniform program to be sent to the District Presidents for use in the District Conferences. Said Committee consists of Revs. J. O. Knott, J. L. Kibler and J. H. Light.

2. That the Chapters be used as far as possible to promote the raising of our benevolent collections, without discriminating in favor of any particular cause.

3. We have appointed the following Committee of this Board to inquire into the subject of orphanages, training schools and other forms of

philanthropic effort; to gather all available data bearing upon these matters, and to report to us a year hence, as a basis of possible future action, namely: Revs. J. E. Wilson and F. J. Prettyman, and Brother J. P. Woods.

4. We most heartily endorse the Epworth Era, our League organ. Its Editor, our General Secretary, has spared nothing in his effort to make it in appearance and matter a paper that is an inspiration to our young people. We urge our League Chapters to organize clubs and help to put the paper upon a twenty thousand circulation basis.

5. We recommend that Rev. J. H. Light be requested to continue acting as the Editor of a page in our Conference Organ, which that paper has agreed to devote to the interests of the League.

This Board has no source of income, and as necessarily some expenses must be incurred, we ask that each Chapter throughout the Conference make such contribution to the Board for this purpose as its resources may permit, and that all such moneys be sent to the Treasurer of the Board, Bro. J. S. Richey, Fort Defiance, Va.

W. H. H. JOYCE, *Secretary.*

J. O. KNOTT, *President.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CORPORATE BOARD OF FINANCE.

*Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church, South.*

### ASSETS.

Two ground rents, \$36 each, payable January and July.....	\$ 72 60
Ten houses in fee on Cleveland street.....	4,000 00
Two ground rents, \$68 each, payable March and September....	136 00
One ground rent, \$70, payable in March and September.....	70 00
One ground rent, \$145, payable in April and October.....	145 00
One ground rent, \$90.75, payable May and November.....	90 75
One ground rent, \$40, payable January and July.....	40 00
One ground rent, \$81, payable August and February.....	81 00
One ground rent, \$50, payable May and November.....	50 00
One ground rent, \$300, payable May and November.....	300 00
\$3,000, bequest of Mrs. Caroline Sewell, invested in Baltimore City Stock, yielding.....	105 00
\$400 loaned Wesley Grove Association, yielding.....	20 00
\$975, bequest of Mrs. Fulton, loaned to Trustees of Randolph-Macon College, yielding.....	58 50

*George N. Numsen, in Account with the Corporate Board of Finance.*

### DR.

March, 1899—Balance on hand.....	\$ 200 83
“ 1900—To ground rents, (Shipley Fund).....	989 74
To interest on City Stock.....	105 00
To interest on loan to Wesley Grove Association.....	20 00
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	1,315 57

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By taxes for 1897 on Sutro property..	\$ 38 43
April, 1900—Amount paid Joint Board of Finance...	1,200 00
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	\$ 1,238 43
Balance on hand. ....	<hr/>
	\$77 14



# COMMITTEES.

## MEMOIRS. I

### Rev. J. D. MARTIN.

"There is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."—2 Sam. 3:38.

When the great heart of the Rev. Jefferson Martin was stilled in death at the District Parsonage in Lewisburg, W. Va., September 2, 1899, the Baltimore Conference lost one of its most efficient preachers, the Lewisburg District a judicious Presiding Elder, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a worthy and loyal member, and humanity one of its truest friends.

He was born near Mountsville, Loudoun County, Virginia, January 21, 1859, and died at Lewisburg, W. Va., in the forty-first year of his life. The early years of his life were spent in the vicinity of his birthplace, and it was there he received his first religious impressions from a Christian mother. It was in this community that he also received his education, mainly at the public schools, until his conversion to Christ, and a call to the ministry of the Gospel, which came simultaneously.

Brother Martin was converted at twenty-one years of age, in the Methodist Church at Middleburg, Va., under the ministry of Rev. L. H. Crenshaw, and L. C. Miller; and so genuine was his conversion, that of this great change wrought by the Spirit of God within his soul, he never thereafter entertained a doubt till the day of his triumphant death. After his conversion he immediately began a conscientious preparation for his life work, and he became a master-workman.

He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of the Middleburg charge under the administration of Rev. J. S. Gardner, Presiding Elder of the Washington District.

He preached his first sermon in the Fall or Winter of 1881, at Mountsville, Va.

In the Spring of 1882 he began preaching as a supply on Sudley Circuit, Rev. J. T. Maxwell being preacher in charge.

He entered the regular ministry in the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in March, 1883, and afterwards served the following charges, viz, Sudley Circuit in 1883, as a junior preacher, under Rev. J. S. Porter; Piedmont Circuit in 1884, as junior preacher, under Rev. J. H. Waugh. On March 25, 1884, soon after receiving the latter appointment, he was married to Miss Eliza H. Birdsall, at the residence of Dr. I. S. Stone.

In the Spring of 1885 he was appointed preacher in charge of Linden Circuit, serving most successfully there for two years. In 1887 he was sent to Gaithersburg Circuit, where he served efficiently for four years. While here he attended a college of elocution and oratory, in Washington, D. C., from which he derived great benefit in many ways.

In the Spring of 1891 he was appointed to Buena Vista, Va., and remained there three years, managing a large church enterprise with that enterprise, energy and skill characteristic of the man.

Next he went to Fincastle Charge, and after a year of great spiritual growth in that field, he was appointed in 1895 to Covington, Va., where, after another year of successful labor, his work was recognized sufficiently to be appointed in the spring of 1896 to the Presiding Eldership of the Lewisburg District. Here, in the work of the district, he displayed that energy in his work and that fidelity to his Lord which we would naturally expect of such a man; and he met with that degree of success and appreciation by his brethren in the ministry and laity of the Church which he



so justly merited. Our beautiful district parsonage at Lewisburg, in its present improved condition, is due to his untiring energy and zeal.

This was Brother Martin's last appointment on earth. He finished the work which had been given him to do, and the Supreme Bishop of the Church Universal called him to an appointment in the skies.

Before reaching the meridian of life, in the full vigor of his well-developed physical powers, intellectual energies and moral greatness, "God's finger touched him, and he slept."

He fell at the post of duty, with that singular interest in the Church he loved as dearly as his life, and anxiety in its future welfare which had always been shown in his vigorous life.

"How did he die?" said one; and before time was given for an answer, his friend bethought himself, and replied in language most appropriate: "Just as you would expect Martin to die."

He looked with eagerness to the coming of this Conference, when he could meet his brethren with usual cheerfulness, and more than usual joy, because he would surrender his commission by reason of limitation, of the trust committed to his hands as Presiding Elder of the Lewisburg District, after four years of successful and happy service there, for his Church and his Lord.

But while it belongs to man to propose, it is God's to dispose. After arduous labors at the Bushy Ridge Camp and the Marvin Grove Camp Meetings, Brother Martin had come home to die—a privilege which seemed most providential. The summons came and he was ready. He knew full well that the end of his earthly career was at hand, and without a tremor of alarm, or an apparent wish that it were otherwise, only that he might labor longer for the Lord, following feebly, yet deliberately and firmly, his devoted companion in the quotation of Charles Wesley's immortal sonnet, "Jesus, lover of my soul," and the twenty-third Psalm, he closed his eyes on all that had been dear to him on earth, and went to join the hosts above "that have obtained the prize."

His life work is well known, and will be more fully written, for his name deserves to live in the history of our Church. His memory will live in the hearts of a grateful people whom he served.

To his bereaved companion and little daughter, the sympathies of the Baltimore Conference are extended.

One of his brethren who had known him best and longest, and was with him to the end, most fittingly said at the memorial services which were held in Lewisburg:

"Jefferson Davis Martin was no ordinary man. He was a many-sided man. In the social circle he had but few peers; in the pulpit a man of incisiveness and power, because his heart was filled with that which is best and strongest, (and strongest, because the best of all,) the power of the Holy Ghost. In the business affairs of this world he was well qualified, faithful to all his trusts, genial and sunny in his disposition, and above all, he was a man of Christian character and nature multiform, well rounded and symmetric. No ordinary witness, that life of his, to the saving power of the Gospel and grace of our risen Lord."

Testimonies to his worth could be multiplied, but this is not the time and place for more than a brief sketch of one we loved in life and mourn so widely in his untimely death.

A man, a preacher, a pastor, a manager of ecclesiastical affairs, a revivalist and a Christian gentleman of the highest type, has been transferred to that larger Conference in Heaven.

With a slight variation of those immortal lines of the poet, we would close this tribute of tender respect to the memory of our ascended brother:

"He was a man among the bravest men,  
We shall not soon behold his like again."

### **Rev. J. N. HANK.**

The Rev. J. Newman Hank was but little known to the members of the Baltimore Conference. From 1857 to the time of his death—a period of nearly forty-three years—he was not engaged in the regular work of the ministry. He was born in Fincastle, Virginia, October 18, 1827, and was, therefore, at the time of his death, a little past 72 years of age. He was received into the Baltimore Conference in 1851. After his graduation from Dickinson College in 1846, he chose the vocation of school teacher, and devoted several months to that work. But he soon felt it his duty to enter the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and began to make all necessary preparations for efficient service. After entering the Conference he served several important appointments; but while stationed at the William Street Church, in Baltimore city, his health failed, and he became affected with a throat trouble from which he never recovered. His voice grew so weak that he was rarely able to preach, and for many years preceding his death he did not attempt to do so. But he never for a moment lost interest in his Conference and Church. He was still a Methodist preacher, ready and willing to do everything in his power for the advancement of his Master's cause.

After the failure of his voice he again devoted himself to teaching. In this vocation he had every decided success. He first was in charge of a seminary for young ladies at Huntsville, Alabama. He then taught in different schools in Baltimore, until 1882, when he became Professor of Latin in the Baltimore City College. Here he was in great favor with the students, who never failed to respect him for his high character and manly bearing. His duties were discharged in the most conscientious and faithful manner. He never failed to exert a strong moral and spiritual influence over those who were placed under him.

For several years before his death his health was not strong, but he attended Divine worship whenever possible, and was always ready to assist our pastors in Baltimore to the full measure of his ability. He was very liberal to the Church, and was ready to devote his means to every worthy cause. During all these years he remained a supernumerary member of this Conference. He never married. His life closed peacefully in December, 1899, and on Tuesday, December 12, after services at the Central Southern Methodist Church, his remains were laid to rest in the Greenmount Cemetery, Baltimore.

### **Rev. J. M. FOLLANSBEE.**

The subject of this memoir, Rev. James M. Follansbee, was for thirty-three years a highly esteemed member of this Conference. He was born in Washington, D. C., May 31, 1823. He was baptized in infancy by the Rev. Dr. Henry Slicer, who was at that time a chaplain of Congress, and was afterwards received by Dr. Slicer into the Church in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Dickinson College in 1844, and afterwards studied medicine, expecting to devote his life to that profession. For that purpose he moved South, and settled in San Antonio, Texas, but after a year or two he became deeply impressed that he was called to devote his life to the ministry, and was received into the Texas Conference in 1849. After traveling several circuits, he was stationed at Austin and Houston, two of the most important charges in that Conference. For two years he had charge of Andrew Female College, and was then called to the presidency of the Soule University, a new institution that was afterwards merged into the Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas. Failing health caused him to resign this position in 1866. He then returned to Washington, and was transferred to the Baltimore Conference in 1867. He proved a valuable addition to this Conference, and served in succession

the following charges—Christiansburg, Bridgewater, Fincastle, Leesburg, Hinton, Trappe, East Rockingham, Shenandoah and Marksville. In all of these charges he did efficient service, and was held in high esteem. Six years of his ministry were spent in the Western Virginia Conference, and he was stationed at Huntington, St. Albans, and on the Fayetteville Circuit. He was an able and earnest preacher, and always exemplified the principles and doctrines that he taught. Wherever he was appointed he went with a willing mind, and left the impress of his piety and zeal on every charge that he served.

In 1893, because of increasing infirmities, he was given a superannuated relation by the Baltimore Conference. During the latter years of his life he made his home with his children, within the bounds of the Holston Conference. He died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Fannie L. Stevens, at Glade Spring, Virginia, January 12, 1900, in the 77th year of his age. He was buried in the cemetery of the Emory and Henry College, a few miles from the place of his death.

During his whole life he had been a consistent and faithful servant of God, and closed his earthly career in the full assurance of a glorious immortality.

### **Rev. WESLEY HAMMOND.**

The subject of this memoir, Rev. Wesley Hammond, the son of John and Charlotte Hammond, was born in Botetourt county, Va., July, 1838. He was converted in the summer of 1857 under the ministry of Rev. W. C. Blount, of the Virginia Conference, and connected himself at once with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was especially favored, both in his educational and religious advantages, and these were not neglected by him. His father was a man of more than usual intelligence and piety, and gave careful attention to his son's intellectual and spiritual culture. He was for some time a student at Emory and Henry College, until his entrance into the Confederate Army suddenly interrupted his college curriculum.

He entered the army in 1861, and became sergeant of the "Dixie Greys," 42d Va. Regiment. He served under Genl. Robt. E. Lee in western Virginia, until his health failed, and he was compelled for a while to retire. He subsequently served as Chaplain of a Virginia regiment to the close of the war.

In November, 1864, he joined the Virginia Conference, and was appointed junior preacher on Chesterfield Circuit, under Rev. A. M. Hall. The next year he was in charge of Fairfax Circuit of the same Conference, but was transferred with that part of the Virginia territory to the Baltimore Conference, and stationed at Christiansburg. In 1867 he was appointed to Colliertown; in 1868, as second man on Loudoun Circuit; in 1869-70 to Fairfax Circuit. In 1871 he located, in order to pursue a course of study, in the University of Virginia. He was readmitted into the Baltimore Conference in 1873, and sent to Kent Circuit, then in 1874 to Martinsburg, W. Va., where he served as preacher in charge until 1875. From 1875 to 1879 he served the church in Keyser, W. Va. From 1879-81 in Christiansburg, Va.; in 1881, the Lexington Circuit; from 1882-86 the South Branch, now Romney Circuit. His home was in Romney during this pastorate, and here he continued to reside when granted a superannuated relation in 1886.

In May, 1879, he was married to Mrs. Anna Heald, nee Ward, who, with two children, a son and a daughter, survive him.

He was an industrious and indefatigable worker, and continued in the active service of the Church when the state of his health would have fully justified his retirement. Consecrated to the ministry to which he had been called, a kindly heart, genial and gentle in his manners, he was greatly

beloved as a pastor, while his earnest presentation of truth was the means, under God, of winning many souls to Christ.

For fourteen years he suffered from a disorder that at last proved fatal; and yet, when he could no longer perform the work of an itinerant minister, he was employed in such work as he could do even to the period of his late illness. For nearly a week before his death he lay in an unconscious condition, and at last passed away peacefully without a struggle or a sigh. There was needed no final expression of his faith and hope. His pure and consistent life was the best testimony to his preparation for the change which happily released him from all suffering, and introduced him into the presence and joy of his Lord.

The funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Romney, on Friday morning, February 23d, and were conducted by Rev. B. F. Ball, Presiding Elder of the Moorefield District, assisted by Rev. D. L. Reid, Rev. H. M. Strickler, and Rev. W. A. Sites, of the Baltimore Conference, and Rev. E. D. Washburn, D. D., of the Presbyterian Church, who had been a fellow student of Brother Hammond at the University of Virginia.

His remains were taken to Frostburg, Md., where they were interred on the afternoon of the same day, and where they lie awaiting the resurrection of the just.

### **Rev. A. C. HAMILL.**

Archibald Chisholm Hamill was born about 64 years ago, in Garrett county, Maryland, and was the only child of Henry and Nancy Hamill. His mother died before he became of age. He may be said to have been religious from his early youth, and, in the face of many discouraging circumstances, maintained his piety, and in the locality of his home was as a "light that shineth in a dark place." No adversity seemed able to move him from either the consistency or purpose of a godly life.

Soon after the establishment of our Church in Piedmont, W. Va., Brother Hamill became the sole representative of our Church west of that point, and in the territory now embraced in Elk Garden Circuit. Then he served as local preacher with acceptability and efficiency until he united with the Baltimore Conference in 1891. He may be called the originator of that circuit.

He served the following charges, viz: Morgan, 3 years; Listonburg, 2 years; Levelton, 2 years; Alvon, 3 years; and Greenbank, lacking a little of one year. He died in the Methodist Parsonage at Greenbank, Pocahontas county, W. Va., on Saturday morning, February 24, 1900, and was buried in his native county in Maryland. We have no fears concerning Brother Hamill's future, for he lived the life of a devout Christian, and passed into the eternal world with prayer on his lips. He is survived by a wife and children, with whom we sorrow in their sad bereavement.

Brother Hamill was a preacher of marked ability. Although enjoying but a limited education in early life, yet through his natural gifts, and taste for knowledge, he acquired no small preparation for the ministry, which, added to his sterling piety and fine common sense, made him a man of usefulness in the influence of personal character, as well as in his public ministry.

He was quiet, unpretentious, gentle, and withal faithful in every position to which the Church appointed him. He was not a man to demand choice places, but like a loyal Methodist preacher, accepts what was given him cheerfully, and like his Master, "went about doing good."

He was a man of prayer, and faith, and hope; and he died as he lived.

Brother Hamill will be missed. He will be remembered by those he has helped, and while he "rests from his labors, his works do follow him."

**Rev. FRANCIS M. MILLS.**

Rev. Francis M. Mills was born in Williamsburg, Va., August 5, 1810, and died at his home in Neosho, Missouri, March 10, 1900, in the ninetieth year of his age.

His parents moved to Washington, D. C., in 1819, where he grew to manhood. He was converted to God at the age of 19, in the old Foundry Church. The leader's meeting recommended him for license to exhort, October 4, 1830, and the license was signed by that old pioneer of Methodism, Rev. Stephen George Roszell. At the same place he was licensed as a local preacher, March 14, 1831, was received on trial in the Baltimore Conference, March, 1832, in Baltimore city, Bishop Hedding presiding. In 1834 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew; and in 1836, an elder by Bishop Hedding. In February, 1836, he was married to Miss Mary Greiner, of Franklin, Pendleton county, Virginia, who died 1889, leaving six children, of whom three daughters and one son survive. Father Mills was an effective itinerant preacher for seventeen years, serving acceptably in Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota and Missouri.

In 1849 the following minute is recorded in the Journal of the Baltimore Conference:

"On motion, Resolved, that the Bishop be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer our beloved brother, F. M. Mills, to this Conference."

The Bishop granted the request and Brother Mills was placed on the superannuated list. In 1866 Brother Mills cast in his lot with his brethren of the majority of the Baltimore Conference at the session held in Alexandria, Va.; and while feeble in health did good service in that city and vicinity. Not long afterward he removed to Neosho, Missouri, where he spent the remaining years of his life; was held in high esteem as a minister and Christian; and at each session of the Baltimore Conference, sent his loving greetings to his brethren. He lived to a ripe old age and was venerated as a patriarch by the people among whom he had a place. His death was sudden, congestion of the lungs caused heart failure and he fell on sleep as quietly as an infant in its mother's arms. His devoted daughter Mary, who had long been the support of her aged father, was with him when he breathed his last. She writes: "All loved him; young and old called him Father Mills, and he was as happy as the days were long, contented to go or stay, as his Father willed."

He was buried in the cemetery overlooking the town of Neosho, by the side of his beloved companion, who, nine years before, preceded him to the better land. "The memory of the just is blessed."

**Rev. E. H. HENRY.**

Rev Edward H. Henry was born in Northumberland county, Virginia, October 12, 1832, and died April 7, 1900, at Marshall, Va., in the 68th year of his age. His ancestry dates back to the Colonial times of Old Virginia. His great-grandfather, James Henry, was a member of the Continental Congress, and Judge of the Virginia Court of Admiralty. His grandfather, E. H. Henry, married, first, Martha Catharine, daughter of Patrick Henry; and, for his second wife, Elizabeth Washington Peyton. Her son Edward H. Henry, M. D., married Elizabeth Fitzhugh, of Prince William county, Virginia, and their son, the subject of this memoir was named for his father. He was educated at William and Mary College, Virginia, where he took the degree of Master of Arts in 1852. For the next five years he taught in the Episcopal High School, Fredericksburg, Va., was a member of Washington's Masonic Lodge, and was the leader in gay society life. During the great revival of 1857, in old St. George's Episcopal Church, at a prayer meeting to which he was induced to go by a pious lady friend, he



was converted to God and became a zealous christian worker. His unconverted father, and his wild companions became the first objects of his earnest efforts. On the 20th of August, 1861, he was married to Mary Anna Stone, niece of Mrs. John T. Bronaugh, at the home of the latter, Green View, Warrenton, Virginia. He spent the following six years in teaching and preaching in the State of Georgia.

Previous to his marriage, and while absent in Texes, he began reading the works of John Wesley, and of the Early Methodist authors. From these pages he learned his theology, and soon sought a place in the Methodist Ministry, never ceasing to love her doctrine and discipline, and preaching without intermission, for forty years, with zeal, power and success. He was admitted on trial and ordained Elder, into the Baltimore Conference in 1868, and was appointed to Fauquier Mission, where he served four years; 1872-4, Fairfax; 1875-77, West River; 1878-81, Stafford; 1882-4, Hillsboro; 1885-8, Frankford; 1889-90, Covington; 1891-4, Gaithersburg; 1895-98, Calvert; 1899, Marshall.

Edward H. Henry was a man of more than ordinary parts. He was possessed of a sound logical mind and a vivid imagination blended with a wholesome degree of practicalness. He had the instinct of a true christian gentleman, the refinement which broad culture brings; and, above all, the deep piety which sanctifies all human attainments. "He was a man of prayer, getting up regularly, even in the coldest nights, often more than once, to pray at his bedside. The barn, the fields, the woods he made places of prayer. A more unselfish father, a more loving husband, a more faithful pastor it would be difficult to find." Such is the testimony of one who knew him best. He never failed to attract and impress his congregations from the pulpit, preaching often with power and success. Many souls were, during his ministry, brought to Christ. His zeal, tempered with knowledge, stimulated both the spiritual and temporal activity of the Churches under his charge. He was beloved by all who came in personal contact with him.

His life in his home was beautiful, his work in the Church was faithful even to the last. He is now crowned victor, at his Savior's side. The prevailing epidemic, the grippe, had seized him on his work, and detained him from the session of the Conference. It was hoped that the worst had passed, but death came suddenly from pneumonia, on Saturday evening, at 8.30 o'clock, April 7, 1900.

His remains were taken to Warrenton for burial. Rev. J. Lester Shipley, his personal friend and co-laborer, conducted the funeral services.

"How beautiful it is for a man to die  
Upon the walls of Zion; to be called,  
Like a watch-worn and weary sentinel,  
To put his armor off and rest in heaven."

## IN MEMORIAM.

Our Brethren who have fallen on sleep since 1866.

*"They \* \* rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."*

NAME.	Ent'd Conf.	PLACE OF DEATH.	TIME.	AGE.	IN MIN- ISTRY.
Eldridge R. Veitch.....	1831	Stephens' City, Va.....	1867, Feb. 10...	57	36
David Trout.....	1837	Front Royal, Va.....	1869, Dec. 6....	74	32
Daniel H. Parrish.....	1855	Baltimore City.....	1871, Feb.....	37	16
John L. Gibbons.....	1820	Baltimore Co., Md.....	1871, July.....	70	51
David Shoaff.....	1848	Woodstock, Va.....	1871, May 26...	48	23
Stephen Smith . . . . .	1830	Berkeley Springs, Va.....	1871, Oct. 9....	69	41
James D. Nally, (prob.)....	1870	Bladensburg, Md.... .	1871.....	26	1
William G. Cross.....	1846	Leesburg, Va.....	1873, Aug. 4....	51	27
John W. Bull.....	1843	Alexandria, Va.....	1873, Dec. 25... 54	30	
Lewis Henley, (prob.).....	1873	Greenbrier Co., W. Va . . .	1874, Jan. 19... 24	1	
Richard S. Shreve.....	1869	Botetourt Co., Va.....	1874, Ju'e 25... 34	5	
William S. Baird.....	1842	Frederick Co., Va.....	1874, Aug. 3.... 59	32	
Lorenzo D. Nixon.....	1854	Loudon Co., Va.....	1875, Jan. 28... 63	21	
James F. Liggett.....	1855	Churchville, Va.....	1875, April.... 44	20	
Foushee C. Tebbs.....	1845	Poolsville, Md.....	1875, Nov. 18... 55	30	
Jason P. Etchison.....	1852	Arlington, Md.....	1876, May 31... 55	24	
Norval Wilson.. . . .	1821	Near Charlestown, W. Va..	1876, Aug. 9.... 73	55	
Henry C. Pitzer.....	1872	Covington, Va.....	1877, Feb. 8.... 32	5	
William G. Coe.....	1854	Lewisburg, Va.....	1877, March 29. 45	23	
Dabney Ball.....	1843	Baltimore City.....	1878, Feb. 15... 58	35	
William J. Perry.....	1858	Staunton, Va.....	1878, May 12... 39	20	
John N. Gray.....	1860	Hampshire Co., W. Va....	1878, Oct. 18... 39	18	
George G. Brooke.....	1829	Berryville, Va.....	1878, Dec. 8.... 69	49	
James Higgins.....	1867	Baltimore City.....	1879, Feb. 13... 70	12	
Thomas B. Sargent.....	1825	Baltimore City.....	1879, Oct. 13... 74	54	
Wm. H. Wheelwright.....	1846	Warren Co., Va.....	1879, Dec. 17... 55	33	
Michael P. Scanlan.....	1874	Waverly, Md. . . . .	1879, Dec. 26... 26	5	
John L. Gilbert.....	1842	Brucetown, Va.....	1880, Jan. 28... 61	38	
Ezra F. Busey.....	1842	Baltimore City.....	1880, May 13... 60	38	
Jehu Hank.....	1828	Monroe Co., W. Va.....	1880, July 7.... 79	52	
Enoch G. Jamison.....	1841	Newport, Va.....	1880, Dec. 10... 60	39	
Benjamin Arbogast.....	1857	Winchester, Va.....	1881, March 31. 50	24	
George B. Allen.....	1861	Harford Co., Md.....	1881, Sept. 4... 51	20	
Samuel Regester.....	1840	Prince George's Co., Md..	1881, Oct. 17... 63	41	
S. Samuel Roszell.....	1838	Fauquier Co., Va.....	1882, April 27... 66	44	
John Poisal.....	1827	Baltimore City.....	1882, June 25... 75	55	
Edward G. Vandiver.....	1876	Lewisburg, W. Va.....	1883, Sept. 3... 31	7	
Samuel Kepler.....	1827	Baltimore City.....	1884, Aug. 1.... 80	57	
William H. Wilson.....	1844	Washington City.....	1884.....	60	40
Charles L. Torreyson.....	1859	Fairfie d, Va.....	1885, April 29... 52	26	
Alexander B. Blue.....	1876	Rockbridge Baths. Va.....	1885, June 6... 34	9	
James H. March.....	1842	Middletown, Va . . . . .	1885, July 30 .. 65	43	
George M. Lightner.....	1868	Falmouth, Va.....	1886, Feb. 14... 81	18	
Frank M. Strother.....	1877	Markham, Va.....	1886, Oct. 29... 34	9	
Leonidas R. Greene.....	1876	Roanoke City, Va . . . . .	1886, Nov. 23... 33	10	
William L. Lynch.....	1872	Berryville, Va . . . . .	1887, March 26. 45	15	
S. Holland Wngle, (prob.)	1886	Berryville, Va.....	1887, June 12... 22	1	
Thomas Hildebrand.....	1838	Monterey, Va . . . . .	1887, Nov. 28... 71	49	
Joseph N. Spangler.....	1845	Baltimore City . . . . .	1887, Dec. 27... 67	42	
James Beaty.....	1850	Moorefield, W. Va.....	1888, April 18... 61	38	
John S. Martin.....	1835	Baltimore City.....	1888, July 8.... 73	53	
William R. Stringer.....	1855	Reistertown, Md . . . . .	1888, Nov. 15... 54	33	
Lewis C. Miller.....	1863	Harrisonburg, Va.....	1889, April 25... 49	26	
Gilson Mauzy.....	1851	Rockingham Co., Va.....	1889, Nov..... 75	38	
George R. Jefferson.....	1855	Parnassus, Va.....	1890, Jan. 8.... 57	35	
Wm. T. Quinn.. . . .	1856	Baltimore City.....	1890, Feb. 26... 61	34	
Andrew Robey.....	1860	Edinburg, Va.....	1890, March 14. 67	30	



## IN MEMORIAM—Continued.

NAME.	Ent'd Conf.	PLACE OF DEATH.	TIME.	AGE.	IN MIN- ISTRY.
Paris M. Henderson, (Pr.)	1889	Catawba, Roanoke Co., Va.	1890, April 13..	22	1
Samuel S. Troy.....	1882	Franklin, Va.....	1890, July 12..	29	8
Maurice C. Mehrling, (Pr)	1888	Near Frederick City, Md..	1890, Sep. 13..	22	2
John W. Ewan.....	1853	Washington, D. C.....	1890, Dec. 29..	59	38
Alfred A. Eskridge.....	1830	Staunton, Va.....	1891, Jan. 16..	92	62
Francis A. Richey.....	1843	Woodstock, Va.....	1891, Feb. 21..	73	48
John Landstreet.....	1848	Martinsburg, W. Va.....	1891, Nov. 21..	73	48
Presley B. Smith.....	1853	California.....	1891, June 1... 59	59	38
Edward F. Heterick.....	1857	Frederick Co., Va.....	1891, May 28..	70	34
Henry Hoffman.....	1841	Keyser, W. Va.....	1892, Jan. 12..	78	41
John C. Dice.....	1848	Upperville, Va.....	1892, April 5..	71	44
H. Stewart Cunningham..	1877	Monterey, Va.....	1892, Dec. 22..	38	16
Sam'l D. Benningt. n. (Pr.)	1891	Springfield, W. Va.....	1892, Sep. 20..	61	36
Charles M. Brown.....	1875	Front Royal, Va.....	1893, June 7..	40	18
George Stevenson.....	1841	Stephens' City, Va.....	1893, July 8... 88	88	52
William W. Hedrick.....	1875	Newport, Va.....	1893, Oct. 10..	66	18
Samuel W. Haddaway.....	1869	Washington, D. C.....	1893, Oct. 26..	43	24
William A. Wade.....	1868	Washington, D. C.....	1893, Dec. 4... 67	67	25
M. G. Balthis.....	1861	New Market, Md.....	1894, June.... 57	57	33
John W. Wolfe.....	1846	Springfield, W. Va.....	1894, June 6... 69	69	48
Samuel Rodgers.....	1848	Baltimore, Md.....	1894, Nov. 1... 69	69	46
Milton M. Long.....	1887	Berkeley Springs, W. Va..	1894, Dec. 30..	37	8
David Thomas.....	1833	Baltimore, Md.....	1895, Jan. 3..... 87	87	62
William K. Boyle.....	1860	Hyattsville, Md.....	1895, Feb. 20..	55	35
Silas R. Snapp.....	1867	Cedarville, Va.....	1895, March 10. 61	61	28
John W. Boteler.....	1851	Washington.....	1896, April 12..	67	45
Joshua M. Grandin.....	1845	Contee's, Md.....	1896.....	82	51
Robert Ross.....	1868	Aleghany Co., Md.....	1896, Dec. 13..	84	28
Joseph H. Temple.....	1855	Churchville, Va.....	1897, Mar. 27... 69	69	42
Felix M. Totten.....	1876	McDowell, Va.....	1898, Mar. 15..	46	22
Geo. H. Zimmerman.....	1860	Baltimore, Md.....	1898, Nov. 3... 60	60	38
Jno. W. Tongue.....	1844	Washington, D. C.....	1898, Dec. 31..	78	55
Alfred O. Armstrong.....	1876	Rockville, Md.....	1899, Jan. 29... 44	44	23
Jefferson D. Martin.....	1883	Lewisburg, W. Va.....	1899, Sept 2... 40	40	16
J. Newman Hank.....	1851	Baltimore, Md.....	1899, Dec. 10..	72	48
Jas. M. Follansbee.....	1849	Glade Spring, Va.....	1900, Jan. 12... 76	76	51
Wesley Hammond.....	1864	Romney, W. Va.....	1900, Feb. 21... 62	62	36
Archibald C. Hamill.....	1891	Greentank, W. Va.....	1900, Feb. 24... 64	64	9
Francis M. Mills.....	1832	Neosho, Mo.....	1900, March 10. 88	88	68
Edward H. Henry.....	1860	Marshall, Va.....	1900, April 7... 67	67	40

## REPORT ON COMMUNICATION OF DR. CRAFT.

The committee to whom was referred the communication of Dr. W. F. Crafts begs leave to report: That inasmuch as the law of our Church explicitly prohibits our ministers from solemnizing the rites of matrimony between divorced persons, except in the case of innocent parties who have been divorced for the one scriptural cause, we deem any further deliverance upon this subject unnecessary.

While we do not hesitate to express our adhorrence of polygamy as being contrary to the spirit and teaching of the Gospel and repugnant to the moral sentiment of the community, we do not judge it to be our province as a Conference to direct in matters of civil legislation. We recommend that so much of Dr. Craft's paper as refers to the question of temperance be referred to the committee on that subject.

Respectfully submitted,

RUMSEY SMITHSON,  
J. S. HUTCHINSON,  
B. W. BOND.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

1st. We beg leave to again call the attention of our people to the discipline in paragraph 215: "Let all our preachers and members abstain from the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, from signing petitions for such sale, in becoming bondsmen for any person as a candidate for obtaining license, and from renting property to be used for such sale. If any member shall violate any provision of this paragraph it shall be the duty of the pastor to deal with the offender. Chapter 7, section 5."

2d. We recommend that temperance meetings be held wherever practicable, and that special effort be made to interest the young people in this cause.

3d. We are in hearty sympathy with all organizations that seeks by lawful and proper means to suppress the liquor traffic and are unqualifiedly opposed to any movement that seeks to legalize the liquor traffic in any form.

4th. We heartily recommend that our people avail themselves of the benefit of the local option laws of Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland, and urge them to press the contest against the liquor traffic in the exercise of their rights as citizens in their respective districts, counties, towns and cities.

5th. We recommend that the District Conferences take such action upon this report as will bring it more prominently before our people.

(Signed.)

H. L. KOONTZ, *Secretary.*

J. H. WILHITE, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause beg to report as follows:

The work of the American Bible Society, the printing of the Scriptures without note or comment, and their distribution among all classes at cost of printing and binding to those able to pay, free of charge to those not able, is a work which challenges our interest as Christians, and is worthy of our earnest sympathy and active support. Our Church has recognized its obligation to the Society and has charged the preachers, the Quarterly, District and Annual Conferences with the duty of seeing that the obligation is met and discharged. Yet it is evident, from the small amount contributed to the Bible cause, and the fact that many churches contribute nothing, that the worthiness of the cause and the value to the Church of the Society's work are not fully appreciated by our people. We are glad to note that the collections for this cause are larger than they were last year, but they are still far below what they ought to be, and what they may be made by proper effort. We urge that the disciplinary requirement that the Bible cause shall be presented to each congregation at least once in each year, be complied with, and at as early a date in the Conference year as practicable, and that our Presiding Elders, Quarterly and District Conferences insist upon specific reports of the work, and give due emphasis to the importance of aiding the society by liberal contributions, and prosecuting its works in our midst by bringing to its attention those sections of our territory that are not properly supplied with the word of God.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HOBBS, *Secretary.*

T. J. LAMBERT, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

We, your Committee on District Conference Records, beg leave to report:

1. The records of all the District Conferences were before us, and we carefully examined them, and we find them full and accurate in data, legibly written, properly signed and well preserved.

2. We must be pardoned for making distinction in favor of the record of the Roanoke District as a model of artistic penmanship, painstaking and finish.

T. J. MILLER, *Secretary*.

F. T. GRIFFITH, *Chairman*.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The Committee on Publishing Interests beg leave to report:

That *The Baltimore Christian Advocate* for the past year has filled a need of the church to an extent not met by any former conference paper because of the embarrassing conditions surrounding former editors of great and tried ability, and it is but meet that some recognition should be given Rev. John O. Knott and his associates for the labors, care and ability displayed in the editing and managing of the paper, making it a conference organ of which each member of the church may be proud. The results of the appointments as editors of the brethren who have edited the paper have been remarkable, in that in a single year they have gained the admiration, confidence, and esteem of the whole church, and have made the paper a welcome visitor to every home to which it has come.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the thanks of this conference are due and are hereby tendered to the editors of *The Baltimore Christian Advocate* for the signal ability, often arising to brilliancy, in the editorials written, the care and diligence in the selections inserted, and above all in the loving Christian spirit that has animated the entire conduct of the paper. It is safe to predict that an assured and useful future was before the paper under the last year's management, and it is a calamity much to be regretted that circumstances have so changed as to make such conduct of the paper for the future impossible.

In regard to the future of the newspaper interest of the conference, the committee would report, that, according to its information, *The Baltimore Christian Advocate*, together with *The Richmond Christian Advocate*, has been bought by joint stock company. This paper is, therefore, as it always has been, beyond the control of this conference. The representative of this company, Rev. H. M. Hope, of the Virginia Conference, has appeared before the committee and has made statements and given information as to the designs of the company and propositions bearing upon a newspaper organ of this conference. The company is to have a capital stock of \$30,000, represented by 300 shares of \$100 each. Of this stock, Mr. Hope, or those he represents, is to have \$15,100, or a controlling interest, the balance the company hopes to have subscribed by the preachers and active laymen of the two conferences. From his statement of expenses and probable receipts, there seems to be a reasonable prospect of the financial stability and success of the enterprise. He then, at the request of the committee, made two suggestion:

*First.* To continue the two papers, both, of course, to be printed at and issued from Richmond, Va., using, as now, editorial and other matter interchangeably, but having separate editors, the subscription and appearance of the papers to be the same as at present.

*Second.* To issue one paper of twenty pages, under the name of the *Richmond and Baltimore Advocate*, under the control of a directorate of five, to consist of Mr. Hope as business manager and two members each from the Virginia and Baltimore Conferences, and two editors, one from each conference, to be elected by the respective conferences upon nomination of the representative of the company.

The purchase of *The Baltimore Advocate* by this company makes the acceptance of one or the other of these proposals imperative, unless the conference desires to establish an independent paper of its own. This seems impracticable in view of the disastrous financial outcome of various enterprises of this character in the past.

Your committee upon careful consideration would recommend the consolidation of the two papers and the publication of one paper under the name and upon the conditions above named. The reasons upon which this conclusion is based are largely the lessening of the cost of the production of such a paper and thereby making it possible to have one creditable paper rather than two more or less inferior, with the Baltimore Conference getting the worst of it every time, when the lessening of expense is to be considered.

It is said that one of the by-laws of the company will provide that any earnings from the paper, after paying running expenses and a dividend, not to exceed 10 per cent., on the stock, shall be applied to the fund for aged preachers and dependent families of deceased preachers of the two Conferences. This, it is fair to consider, although the sum realized to this fund would probably be small for at least a few years.

We have said that the financial exhibit made by Mr. Hope seems to assure stability and success for the enterprise, but your committee must not be understood as recommending any brother to invest in the stock of the company. This must be determined by each individual for himself, after careful investigation of the details of the proposed plan.

Your Committee would, in view of what has been said, recommend the following resolution:

Be it resolved, that the Baltimore Conference recommends the establishment of one paper to be known as *The Richmond and Baltimore Advocate*, to be managed and edited as indicated in the foregoing report, and pledges the hearty co-operation of the members of the Conference in all proper efforts to make such paper a success. Provided always, that no financial obligation is or will be assumed by the Conference or any of its boards; and provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent this Conference from withdrawing its endorsement of said paper by proper resolution at any annual session; nor in anywise prevent this Conference from the establishment of an independent paper whenever the Conference may deem it advisable.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. Samuel K. Cox, D. D., as the Baltimore Conference representative on the editorial staff of the consolidated paper.

The net gain in assets of our Publishing House of \$40,144.19 is quite gratifying in view of the unpropitious circumstances confronting the book agents. Yet we can but deprecate the fact that the gains of the house, owing to existing business exigencies, have not been directed to the relief of our worn-out preachers, and the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers. We most heartily commend the periodicals and books issued by the house. We desire to express our appreciation of the high standard and able editorial management of *The Christian Advocate*, *The Review of Missions*, *The Methodist Review*, *The Epworth Era*, the Sunday-school periodicals, *The Woman's Missionary Advocate* and *Our Homes*. We bespeak for them all an extensive circulation among our people.

D. L. BLAKEMORE, *Secretary*.

A. P. BOUDE, *Chairman*.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS TO TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND,

*Made at the Baltimore Conference, April 6, 1900, at Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington, D. C.*

Miss Laura Strider.....	\$1,300 00
Trinity Church, Baltimore, \$1,200, and Rev. C. M. Hawkins, for same, \$300.....	1,500 00
Front Royal, Va.....	1,200 00
Rev. P. H. Whisner.....	650 00
P. V. D. Conway, T. T. Fishburne, Geo. R. Hill, F. B. Thomas, \$500 each.....	2,000 00
Bridgewater Circuit by Rev. W. L. Dolly, Rev. J. H. Boyd, Rev. J. A. Kern, \$200 each.....	600 00
Rev. B. W. Bond, Rev. J. L. Shipley, Christiansburg, West Washington, Miss., each \$150.....	600 00
Rev. Isaac W. Canter.....	125 00
Rev. J. R. Andrew, J. E. Alexander, Rev. J. A. Anderson, Rev. W. H. Ballangee and wife, Rev. B. F. Ball, Rev. Chas. D. Bulla, Rev. J. W. Duffey, Grace M. E. Church, South, (Savage, Md.), Rev. Collins Denny and family, Rev. W. H. D. Harper and family, Rev. J. C. Hawk, Rev. J. B. Henry, Rev. J. S. Hutchinson, J. J. Hobbs, Rev. W. D. Keene, Rev. D. H. Kern, I. N. King, Rev. J. O. Knott, Arthur B. Pugh, Amos L. Pugh, Rev. F. A. Stier, Rev. H. I. Stephens, Rev. F. A. Strother, Rev. E. V. Regester and wife, Rev. J. F. Valliant, R. M. Wheeler and family, Rev. Geo. T. Tyler and family, Rev. J. T. Wightman, Gaithersburg, Md, \$100 each.	2,900 00
Rev. H. H. Kennedy, \$90, \$30, and \$30.....	150 00
Rev. C. Sydenstriker.....	75 00
Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, Mrs. M. Armstrong, Rev. H. Q. Burr, Rev. H. A. Brown, Rev. J. W. Beall, Mrs. Jas. Barkman, Rev. Harry Burruss, Rev. C. H. Buchanan, Mrs. Jas. Bunting, Rev. D. F. Eutsler, Rev. O. W. Hammond, Rev. Henry P. Hamill, Rev. H. L. Hout, Ida M. Hill, A. E. Huddleston, Rev. L. R. Jones and wife, Rev. J. H. Light, Rev. W. F. Locke, Rev. F. J. Prettyman, Rev. T. G. Nevitt, Rev. H. M. Strickler and wife, Rev. J. P. Stump and wife, Mrs. F. A. Stier, Rev. H. H. Sherman, Mrs. F. B. Thomas, Rev. W. O. Tolbert, Rev. J. T. Williams, Mrs. J. T. Williams, \$50 each.	1,400 00
Hot Springs Mission.....	32 00
Rev. B. Lee Parrott, \$30, Mrs. B. L. Parrott, \$25 .....	55 00
Rev. A. M. Cackley and wife \$30 and \$20.....	50 00
Rev. L. B. Atkins, Rev. J. M. Anderson, Rev. J. F. Baggs and wife, Rev. O. C. Beall and wife, Rev. Wm. H. Best and wife, Rev. D. L. Blakemore, Rev. David Bush, Wm. B. Carr, Mrs. Thos. E. Carson, Rev. J. W. Canter, Chas. Chaney and wife, Rev. H. S. Coe, Rev. W. P. C. Coe, Rev. W. B. Dorsey and wife, Rev. Frazier Furr, Rev. S. G. Ferguson, W. T. Grooves, Rev. F. A. Gains, Mrs. S. W. Haddaway, Rev. Wm. E. Henry, Rev. Geo. K. Heydrick, Rev. Linwood Hammond, Rev. J. B. Hupman, John A. Handley, Rev. P. W. Jeffries, Rev. John R. Jacobs and wife, Rev. C. L. Kennard, Rev. O. W. Lusby and wife, Rev. T. J. Lambert and wife, O. C. Michael and wife, Rev. L. G. Martin and wife, Rev. Wm. Melville and wife, Miss R. Paxson, Rev. H. M. Roane and wife, Rev. D. L. Reid, B. A. Shreve, Rev. J. P. Stump, Rev.	

John C. Sedwick, Rev. C. B. Sutton and wife, Rev. J. H. Smith and wife, Rev. C. E. Simmons, Rev. J. R. Tillery, Rev. W. E. Woolf, Rev. J. H. Wolff and wife, Woman's Home Miss. Society, Rev. G. Dorsey White, Rev. A. Weller and wife, Wm. E. Wood and wife, C. V. Warfield, Wm. H. Woolf, each \$25.....	\$1,250 00
Rev. Saml. K. Cox, G. T. D. Collins, Rev. R. L. Fultz and wife, Rev. G. O. Homan, Rev. W. E. Miller and wife, Rev. L. B. Markwood and wife, O. Rear and daughters, M. P. Wicks, each \$20. ....	160 00
Rev. J. H. Davidson and wife, Rev. J. K. Gilbert and wife, Rev. J. J. Ringer, each \$15.....	45 00
Emma K. Armstrong, Frances S. Armstrong, Rev. L. Butt, Rev. O. F. Burgess, Maggie Coonbs, Rev. S. B. Dolly, Rev. Jno. H. Dills, Wm. M. Dunklee, J. L. Eakin, Carrie B. Fox, J. M. Early, Rev. Jas. M. Hawley, Rev. J. L. Henderson, Rev. H. T. Heironimus, Rev. J. W. McNeil, Rev. C. W. Moore, Rev. A. R. Martin, Rev. T. J. Miller and wife, Rev. G. W. Richardson, Rev. C. M. Sarver, Rev. Wm. A. Sites, J. F. Trentlen, Rev. W. W. Watts, Rev. J. W. Whitesell, Rev. James M. York, each \$10.....	250 00
C. A. Cashell, A. H. Compton, Mrs. B. J. Drury, G. W. Davis, Mrs. M. Fleming, Rev. Jas. M. Greene, Rev. N. N. Hall, D. J. Henderson, B. E. L. Parrott, Bettie L. Pugh, H. B. Robinson, each \$5.....	55 00
Laura Robinson, \$4; Bettie Skinner, \$3; Taliaferro and wife, \$3; Carrie Burton, \$2; Laura Burton, A. E. Gordon, Miss Hibbs, Etta Skinner, each \$1.....	15 00
	<hr/> \$14,412 00



## WESLEYAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Baltimore Conference, at its session in April, 1899, directed that the whole amount of collections be paid over to Brothers Fauver, Kingsley and Walton for advances made by them to the Wesleyan Female Institute, and that "any sums that may hereafter be paid, be sent to the Presiding Elder of the Rockingham District, to be paid by him to these same brethren.

The following statement is respectfully submitted:

1899.	April 11.	Received from P. H. Whisner.....	\$ 742 29	
	April 18.	Received from J. A. Fauver.....	21 00	
				\$763 29
	April 20.	Paid J. A. Fauver, R. Kinsley, M. L. Walton		\$763 29
April 10, 1900. Received from collections:				
<i>Baltimore District</i> —		Central, H. M. Canter.....	\$36 00	
		St. Pauls, C. D. Bulla.....	50 00	
		Wilkins Avenue, W. Stevens.....	3 00	
		Emmanuel, J. O. Knott.....	5 00	
		Reisterstown, W. M. Waters....	14 00	
		Freedom, J. M. Hawley.....	5 00	
		Howard, T. J. Lambert.....	17 00	
		Linganore, A. Weller.....	5 00	
		Frederick City, J. H. Wilhite....	7 00	
		Brunswick, S. M. Bowman.....	3 00	
		Rockville, G. D. White....	10 00	
		Gaithersburg, W. A. McDonald.....	15 00	
		Beltsville, J. A. Anderson .....	2 00	
		Hyattsville, W. S. Woolf.....	4 00	
		Emory, F. T. Griffith.....	1 00	
		Laurel, J. R. Tillery.....	5 00	
				\$182 00
<i>Winchester District</i> —		Frederick, L. Fox.....	1 00	
		Brucetown, O. C. Beall.....	4 00	
		Berkeley, C. L. Potter.....	13 00	
				\$ 18 00
<i>Roanoke District</i> —		Belmont, H. Q. Burr .....		\$3 00
<i>Lewisburg District</i> —		Green Sulphur, H. D. Bishop.....	2 00	
		Greenville, H. L. Smith .....	3 09	
		White Sulphur, J. M. York .....	7 00	
		Allegheny, L. B. Atkins.....	8 00	
		Covington, L. L. Lloyd.....	18 00	
				\$38 00
To be paid over to J. A. Fauver, R. Kinsley M. L. Walton				\$241 00

JAMES E. ARMSTRONG,  
Presiding Elder Rockingham District.



## SESSIONS OF THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

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DATE.	PLACE.	PRESIDENT.
1866—Feb. 7-15.	Alexandria, Va.	John Early.
1867—March 6-13.	Trinity, Baltimore, Md.	Geo. F. Pierce.
1868— " 4-13.	Central, Baltimore, Md.	D. S. Doggett,
1869— " 3-12.	Trinity, Baltimore, Md.	W. W. Wightman.
1870— " 2-10.	St. Paul's, Baltimore, Md.	H. N. McTyiere.
1871— " 8-14.	Salem, Roanoke Co., Va.	Geo. F. Pierce.
1872— " 6-13.	Warrenton, Va.	Robert Paine.
1873— " 5-14.	Trinity, Baltimore, Md.	Geo. F. Pierce.
1874— " 4-12.	Staunton, Va.	D. S. Doggett.
1875— " 3-10.	Washington, D. C.	E. M. Marvin.
1876— " 1-8.	Winchester, Va.	E. M. Marvin.
1877— " 7-15.	Alexandria, Va.	H. H. Kavanaugh.
1878— " 6-14.	St. Paul's, Baltimore, Md.	H. N. McTyiere.
1879— " 5-11.	Salem, Va.	W. W. Wightman.
1880— " 3-10.	Front Royal, Va.	J. C. Keener.
1881— " 9-15.	Harrisonburg, Va.	H. N. McTyiere.
1882— " 8-14.	Fredericksburg, Va.	H. N. McTyiere.
1883— " 14-21.	Charlestown, W. Va.	J. C. Keener.
1884— " 12-19.	Calvary, Baltimore, Md.	A. W. Wilson.
1885— " 11-18.	Salem, Va.	J. C. Granbery.
1886— " 10-16.	Staunton, Va.	H. N. McTyiere.
1887— " 9-15.	Leesburg, Va.	J. C. Keener.
1888— " 14-20.	Martinsburg, W. Va.	A. W. Wilson.
1889— " 13-19.	Alexandria, Va.	A. W. Wilson.
1890— " 12-19.	St. Paul's, Baltimore, Md.	W. W. Duncan.
1891— " 11-17.	Greene Mem., Roanoke, Va.	E. R. Hendrix.
1892— " 23-29.	Harrisonburg, Va.	J. C. Keener.
1893— " 22-27.	Front Royal, Va.	J. S. Key.
1894— " 28, Apr. 4.	Fredericksburg, Va.	J. C. Granbery.
1895— " 27, " 3.	Washington, D. C.	J. C. Granbery.
1896— " 25-31.	Roanoke, Va.	R. K. Hargrove.
1897— " 24-30.	Staunton, Va.	C. B. Galloway.
1898— " 23-28.	Hinton, W. Va.	A. W. Wilson.
1899—April 5-11.	Washington, D. C.	J. C. Granbery.
1900— " 4-10.	Washington, D. C.	W. A. Candler.

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		MEMBERSHIP.											
		Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.			ADDI- TIONS.		*REMOVALS.					
†BALTIMORE DISTRICT.			No. of Members.	Total Members this Year.	Total Members last Year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Certificate.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
1	Central & Caernarvon....		364	364	311	50	31	4	5	..	13	6	28
2	St. Paul's.....		423	423	419	9	18	5	12	..	6	..	23
3	Wilkins Ave.....		146	146	114	23	14	1	2	..	..	2	5
4	Emmanuel .....		317	317	319	13	5	5	5	..	10	..	20
5	Frederick Ave.....		68	68	65	10	..	2	3	..	..	2	7
6	Arlington and Sudbrook..		224	224	245	10	12	..	..	..	..	..	43
7	Reisterstown & Mission..	1	157	158	155	3	4	..	1	..	..	3	4
8	Freedom .....		155	155	154	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	2
9	Howard .....		253	253	233	17	6	..	..	..	3	..	3
10	Linganore.....	2	310	312	386	16	3	..	..	..	65	28	93
11	Frederick City.....		99	99	109	3	..	2	2	..	8	1	13
12	Brunswick.. ..		152	152	133	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
13	Rockville.....		465	465	434	33	11	5	3	..	..	5	13
14	Gaithersburg.....	1	322	323	302	21	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
15	Montgomery ...		363	363	401	15	1	7	3	..	20	14	54
16	Beltsville .....		157	157	167	2	4	1	4	..	10	5	16
17	Hyattsville.....	1	257	258	172	80	18	..	..	..	..	..	12
18	Emory.....		62	62	68	7	2	..	..	..	..	..	15
19	Wesley Grove.....		275	275	327	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	58
20	Laurel.....		283	283	305	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	39
Total.....		5	4852	4857	4819	378	138	..	..	..	..	..	478
†EAST BALTIMORE.													
1	Trinity.....	4	534	538	496	21	50	4	24	..	..	1	29
2	Calvary .....	1	300	301	278	10	21	5	3	..	..	..	8
3	Taylor's. ....		153	153	160	3	..	3	7	..	..	..	10
4	West Harford.....	1	90	91	114	4	2	6	3	..	..	20	29
5	East Harford.....	1	136	137	139	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
6	Kent .....		148	148	118	20	18	1	4	..	..	3	8
7	Queen Anne's.....		323	323	314	13	7	..	..	..	..	..	11
8	Church Hill.....		180	180	175	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
9	Hillsboro. ....		125	125	131	23	2	..	..	..	..	..	31
10	Easton and Caroline....	2	354	356	302	91	24	..	..	..	..	..	61
11	Trappe.....		170	170	153	15	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
12	Royal Oak.....	2	96	98	94	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
13	Tilghman's.....		125	125	129	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
14	Severn... ..		150	150	157	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
15	Chesapeake.....	1	199	200	196	12	1	1	2	..	4	2	9
16	West River. ....		153	153	158	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	5
17	Calvert .....	1	464	465	451	22	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
18	Prince George's.....		266	266	250	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
19	Charles.....		173	173	174	9	3	6	1	..	5	1	13
20	St. Mary's.....		94	94	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
21	Patuxent.....	1	228	229	237	11	8	4	5	..	18	..	27
22	Forest Grove.....		127	127	129	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
			144588	4602	4455	298	144	..	..	..	..	..	295

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†Two circuits removed from Baltimore to East Baltimore District.

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	BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.								
	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCH EDIFICES.			PARSONAGES.		Value of other church property.	Money expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance carried.	Premiums paid.
			Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.				
1	23	1	2	2	\$11,000	1	\$1,500	\$4,000	\$2,263	8,000	17
2	16	2	1	1	40,000	1	2,500	.. ..	1,890	26 500	87
3	14	1	1	1	7,000	.. ..	.. ..	150	50	.. ..	..
4	5	.. ..	1	1	1,800	.. ..	.. ..	200	110	8,000	45
5	38	1	1	1	10,000	.. ..	.. ..	200	45	4,000	23
6	5	.. ..	2	2	26,500	1	3,000	1,200	25	.. ..	..
7	14	1	2	3	8,500	1	3,500	.. ..	267	5,600	10
8	8	1	4	4	6,100	1	2,000	490	.. ..	5,800	10
9	27	.. ..	4	3	8,700	1	2,000	500	1,600	5,900	24
10	11	1	6	6	10,000	1	1,000	835	13	.. ..	..
11	8	5	1	1	5,000	.. ..	.. ..	125	.. ..	1,000	4
12	6	7	1	1	3,000	1	1,800	25	493	3,000	..
13	19	11	4	4	12,000	1	3,500	500	402	.. ..	..
14	11	7	3	3	7,000	1	2,500	600	155	4,600	22
15	.. ..	3	8	6	12,800	1	11,000	.. ..	1,727	6,750	12
16	.. ..	.. ..	2	2	6,700	1	2,000	250	300	4,700	14
17	31	8	4	4	8,000	1	3,000	.. ..	200	.. ..	..
18	9	.. ..	1	1	8,500	1	3,500	250	.. ..	1,300	4
19	13	.. ..	4	5	7,800	1	1,600	525	250	.. ..	..
20	32	4	3	3	2,500	.. ..	.. ..	500	120	2,000	15
	290	53	55	54	\$212,900	15	\$34,500	\$10,350	\$9,910	\$87,150	287
1	6	3	1	1	\$37,500	1	\$4,000	.. ..	\$64	29,000	119
2	18	3	1	1	9,000	1	1,000	\$600	100	5,000	50
3	7	.. ..	4	4	7,500	1	1,500	.. ..	55	.. ..	..
4	6	.. ..	2	2	5,500	1	1,700	.. ..	383	4,850	12
5	1	.. ..	2	2	6,500	1	3,000	.. ..	3,500	7,200	20
6	15	2	2	2	3,500	1	2,500	.. ..	235	4,425	11
7	59	5	4	3	6,300	1	1,000	187	34	4,237	18
8	12	.. ..	4	4	5,000	1	1,500	200	156	.. ..	..
9	8	4	2	2	3,500	1	700	.. ..	65	1,000	19
10	36	4	3	3	13,500	.. ..	.. ..	1,500	1,900	5,000	50
11	16	1	2	2	4,000	1	1,500	200	612	2,000	22
12	9	1	1	1	2,000	1	350	250	115	1,800	17
13	28	.. ..	2	2	1,800	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	60	1,200	5
14	26	.. ..	4	5	3,000	1	1,200	100	25	.. ..	..
15	30	.. ..	4	3	6,400	1	2,000	.. ..	212	6,400	33
16	10	.. ..	2	2	3,000	1	1,200	.. ..	19	875	4
17	13	.. ..	6	6	9,000	1	1,700	850	350	1,135	3
18	24	.. ..	5	5	4,800	1	1,600	25	50	1,400	12
19	12	.. ..	3	4	5,500	1	1,000	650	50	1,500	13
20	4	.. ..	3	3	3,500	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	58	1,500	6
21	11	.. ..	4	4	5,000	1	1,200	.. ..	25	3,900	15
22	12	.. ..	3	3	2,000	1	1,000	100	75	.. ..	..
	363	23	64	64	\$147,800	19	\$29,650	\$4,662	\$8,143	\$82,422	429

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			No. of Members.	Total Members this Year.	Total Members last Year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Certificate.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
WASHINGTON DISTRICT.													
1	Mt Vernon Place.....	6	811	817	811	8	58	12	2	..	43	3	60
2	Epworth and Mission....	1	299	300	281	10	23	5	8	..	..	1	14
3	Marvin.....	1	195	196	200	10	6	..	..	..	..	..	20
4	W. Wash. & Del Ray.....	..	85	85	70	13	8	..	..	..	..	..	6
5	Alexandria .. .	..	691	691	760	..	21	8	23	..	..	59	90
6	Fredericksburg. ....	..	404	404	383	22	13	5	9	..	..	..	14
7	Falls Church.....	..	277	277	281	5	15	2	7	..	..	15	24
8	Leesburg.....	..	340	340	278	13	55	1	5	..	..	..	6
9	Loudoun.....	1	575	576	571	28	2	..	..	..	..	..	25
10	Middleburg.....	..	223	223	227	1	7	2	7	..	..	3	12
11	Hillsboro.....	..	510	510	484	56	31	..	..	..	..	..	61
12	Hamilton.....	..	384	384	390	23	3	3	8	..	21	..	32
13	Marshall.....	..	516	516	575	5	18	..	..	..	..	..	82
14	Warrenton.....	1	231	232	146	24	75	..	5	..	2	6	13
15	Fairfax.....	2	438	440	333	28	86	..	..	..	..	..	7
16	Sterling.....	1	536	537	559	25	3	..	..	..	..	..	50
17	Occoquan.....	1	276	277	416	4	14	3	5	..	25	122	157
18	Fauquier.....	1	387	388	385	23	22	8	10	..	20	4	42
19	Sudley.....	..	310	310	283	28	3	2	2	..	..	..	4
20	Manassas.....	1	197	198	211	8	20	4	14	..	3	..	41
21	Stafford.....	..	416	416	428	2	6	8	7	..	..	5	20
22	Morrisville.....	1	363	364	364	12	1	5	6	..	1	1	13
Total.....		17	8464	8481	8436	348	490	..	..	..	..	..	793
WINCHESTER DISTRICT.													
District Property .....		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1	Winchester .....	..	632	632	604	33	10	..	..	..	..	..	15
2	Frederick.....	..	218	218	215	12	..	4	4	..	1	..	9
3	Stephen's City .....	..	358	358	420	20	3	..	..	..	..	..	85
4	Middletown.....	1	431	432	444	8	9	12	13	..	..	4	26
5	Strasburg .....	..	375	375	323	23	34	..	..	..	..	..	5
6	Woodstock .....	1	277	278	286	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	17
7	Edenburg .....	..	342	342	314	29	5	..	..	..	..	..	6
8	Front Royal and Riverton..	..	380	380	344	19	41	..	..	..	..	..	24
9	Warren .....	..	290	290	293	38	11	..	..	..	..	..	152
10	Linden.....	..	284	284	283	7	..	..	6	..	..	..	6
11	Page .....	..	270	270	360	30	4	4	4	..	..	116	124
12	White Post.....	1	362	363	200	23	168	3	22	..	1	2	28
13	Berryville.....	..	279	279	311	24	8	..	..	..	..	..	64
14	Brucetown.....	..	562	562	393	20	184	..	..	..	..	..	35
15	Martinsburg.....	1	372	373	388	6	13	4	12	..	5	13	34
16	Berkeley.....	..	241	241	200	37	14	..	..	..	..	..	10
17	Charlestown .....	..	441	441	415	22	29	6	12	..	6	1	25
18	Jefferson .....	..	546	546	394	162	25	5	17	..	11	2	35
19	Shepherdstown .....	..	410	410	480	19	4	6	68	..	8	11	93
20	Shenendoah Junction....	..	189	189	91	28	73	..	..	..	..	..	3
21	Woodstock Mission.....	..	91	91	79	16	2	2	4	..	..	..	6
Total.....			47350	7354	6937	577	645	..	..	..	..	..	805

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			Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.				
1	14	2	1	1	\$60,000	...	.....	\$5,000	\$1,772	\$25,000	\$84
2	10	.....	1	1	2,300	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	...
3	6	8	1	1	13,000	.....	.....	580	766	3,000	7
4	11	5	2	1	700	.....	.....	150	125	.....	..
5	11	1	1	2	22,600	1	\$3,000	2,500	15,500	20,000	153
6	7	12	1	1	15,500	1	3,000	1,500	1,575	8,300	...
7	3	2	2	2	11,800	1	3,500	702	389	7,400	21
8	3	8	2	2	7,500	1	3,000	650	75	6,500	15
9	2	24	7	7	13,800	1	3,000	200	200	7,000	25
10	3	.....	3	2	7,500	1	1,600	300	25	4,800	14
11	6	41	6	5	7,200	1	1,400	200	362	.....	...
12	3	16	3	3	7,000	1	1,900	350	100	2,500	6
13	1	5	7	7	12,000	1	1,700	871	1,300	*	...
14	.....	9	2	2	8,000	1	2,000	350	209	.....	...
15	35	12	5	7	12,500	1	1,600	.....	3,050	5,000	26
16	2	15	8	6	9,000	1	1,600	250	100	6,440	18
17	.....	2	4	4	3,000	1	800	200	206	1,200	6
18	7	17	5	5	6,000	1	1,500	200	900	2,000	5
19	.....	.....	4	4	4,000	1	800	200	80	3,000	12
20	3	6	4	3	3,000	1	1,800	100	175	2,900	...
21	4	2	5	5	3,500	1	1,000	.....	.....	.....	...
22	2	12	5	5	4,500	1	1,000	300	100	.....	...
	133	199	79	78	\$234,400	18	\$34,200	14,553	\$27,809	105,040	392
.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	1	\$4,000	\$200	\$166	\$2,000	\$11
1	14	9	1	1	\$15,000	1	4,000	.....	7,017	.....	...
2	5	4	5	5	4,600	1	1,500	100	91	.....	...
3	10	15	5	5	9,000	1	1,000	.....	200	3,000	12
4	.....	5	3	2	19,600	1	2,000	.....	625	10,700	15
5	4	21	5	5	5,300	1	2,000	300	200	.....	...
6	1	1	2	2	7,000	1	2,500	.....	85	5,500	13
7	3	17	3	3	8,000	1	1,200	200	155	3,600	25
8	1	10	3	3	11,500	1	2,500	600	50	8,000	21
9	.....	27	6	3	2,000	2	800	200	105	600	8
10	1	4	5	4	5,700	1	1,200	256	190	3,000	9
11	.....	24	6	4	3,000	1	800	250	162	1,950	8
12	5	8	8	7	9,100	1	1,000	1,150	1,704	4,550	13
13	4	17	2	2	6,550	1	1,200	610	28	.....	...
14	7	14	8	8	11,300	1	1,200	.....	50	4,900	34
15	8	4	1	1	12,000	1	6,000	2,500	637	.....	...
16	19	15	3	2	4,000	1	850	387	1,262	.....	...
17	15	9	2	2	10,500	1	4,000	1,200	220	9,700	62
18	40	40	6	4	8,400	1	2,300	.....	550	1,000	10
19	21	3	4	4	10,250	1	1,500	250	50	2,000	20
20	7	28	3	3	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
21	.....	9	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
	165	284	84	70	\$164,800	20	\$41,550	\$8,203	\$13,547	\$60,500	261

\*NOTE.—One church damaged to extent of \$1,700 No collection on same reported.

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ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.													
	District Property. ....												
1	Staunton. ....	1	646	647	653	21	15	10	31	1			42
2	East End & Marq. Memo. .	1	117	118	62	19	50		3		10		13
3	Harrisonburg . ....	1	432	433	411	23	18						19
4	Bridgewater . ....		620	620	618	13	15	6	4		4	12	26
5	Mt. Crawford . ....		334	334	344	1	2						13
6	Parnassus. ....		272	272	272	3	2		5				5
7	West Augusta . ....		172	172	176	8	3						15
8	Augusta. ....	1	425	426	568	13	6	4	110		40	7	161
9	Waynesboro. ....		247	247	213	1	74		33			8	41
10	New Hope. ....		164	164	172	2	2	3	7		1	1	12
11	Rockingham. ....		272	272	277	6	4	7	5		3		15
12	East Rockingham. ....		303	303	315	4	4	3	4		2	11	20
13	Elkton. ....	1	284	285	268	47	2	3	5			24	32
14	Port Republic. ....	1	314	315	285	35	11	7	3		2	4	16
15	Shenandoah. ....	1	301	302	306	5	5						14
16	Luray. ....		240	240	238	2	6	3	3				6
17	New Market. ....		232	232	228	7	6	4	3			2	9
18	Mt. Jackson. ....		126	126	141	2							17
19	Marksville. ....	1	226	227	227	3	3	4	2				6
20	Fairfield. ....	1	307	308	268	33	18	4	2		5		11
21	Rock'd Baths. ....		151	151	164	1	1						15
22	Bell's Valley. ....		158	158	140	11	15				8		8
		9											
	Total. ....		6343	6352	6346	260	262						516
ROANOKE DISTRICT.													
	District Property. ....												
1	Salem . ....		438	438	432	2	19						15
2	Greene Memorial. ....	1	717	718	730	25	52				43	46	89
3	Trinity. ....	1	285	286	231	36	51						32
4	St. James. ....		448	448	402	75	26						55
5	Grace . ....		244	244	306	8	31						101
6	Belmont. ....	1	282	283	276	12	21	3	12		8	3	26
7	Vinton . ....	1	329	330	331	2	8						11
8	Roanoke Circuit. ....		284	284	336	10	5		4		63		67
9	Bethany. ....		156	156	172	4	3						23
10	Buchanan . ....	1	464	465	422	46	16	4	9		1	5	19
11	Fincastle. ....	4	365	369	367		2						
12	Glen Wilton . ....	1	267	268	268	5	6						11
13	Eagle Rock. ....		155	155	147	10	13						15
14	Buena Vista. ....		291	291	265	9	34	6	8			3	17
15	Rockbridge. ....		332	332	299	24	17		8				8
16	Lexington . ....	1	264	265	296	1	6	4	6		9	2	38
17	Collierstown . ....		183	183	186	3	4		1		5	4	10
18	Elliston. ....		392	392	394	6	3	4	4		2	1	14
19	Christiansburg. ....		261	261	284	2	5						30
20	Blacksburg. ....	1	255	256	339	6	7	4	13			79	96
21	Newport . ....		446	446	508	7	3	5	9		48	10	72
22	New Castle. ....	1	370	371	385	4	10	3	4		21		28
23	Catawba. ....	1	335	336	264	9	86						23
		14											
	Total. ....		7563	7577	7640	306	428						797



TABLE No. 1.

	BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.								
	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCH EDIFICES.			PARSONAGES.		Value of other Church property.	Money expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance carried.	Premiums paid.
			Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.				
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	\$5,000	\$100	\$50	\$,200	\$22
1	6	12	1	2	\$30,000	1	3,000	3,000	141	14 500	15
2	1	9	3	3	3,600	.....	.....	200	994	1,800	...
3	43	12	2	2	12,500	1	2,500	1,800	570	8,950	....
4	3	8	7	7	9,500	1	1,500	1,615	643	4,700	28
5	1	1	3	3	3,700	1	800	300	207	2,000	4
6	3	1	4	4	5,400	1	904	.....	270	.....	.....
7	5	.....	5	5	3,000	.....	.....	50	75	.....	.....
8	6	9	5	4	5,600	1	1,200	.....	2,050	3,300	8
9	.....	1	3	3	7,200	1	1,600	.....	240	.....	.....
10	1	.....	3	3	3,600	1	700	300	400	1,700	7
11	.....	3	5	3	2,500	1	1,600	275	163	.....	.....
12	.....	2	2	2	3,000	1	800	150	17	3,040	2
13	4	26	2	2	3,750	.....	.....	450	45	* 2,000	20
14	12	19	5	5	5,800	1	600	553	554	3,350	15
15	.....	5	3	3	4,000	2	2,000	.....	160	173	.....
16	.....	2	2	1	10,000	1	1,800	.....	7,575	6,000	75
17	18	3	4	3	4,500	1	1,000	500	46	2,400	8
18	1	2	3	3	4,900	1	2,000	.....	65	.....	.....
19	6	3	1	1	1,200	1	600	.....	75	500	8
20	10	26	4	4	4,000	1	700	250	175	.....	.....
21	.....	.....	1	1	1,000	1	850	100	132	300	.....
22	.....	5	4	3	2,200	1	1,000	2,200	173	1,600	11
.....	120	149	72	67	\$130,950	21	\$30,150	\$11,843	\$14,820	\$58,513	\$223
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	\$2,000	\$275	\$110	\$1,800	\$22
1	2	2	1	3	\$6,000	1	2,000	750	125	4,600	...
2	4	7	1	1	18,000	1	3,000	500	310	9,000	22
3	6	13	1	1	5,000	.....	.....	300	320	2,500	30
4	10	48	1	1	1,400	.....	.....	400	4,757	3,900	15
5	2	2	1	1	7,000	1	1,500	.....	89	3,000	.....
6	9	8	2	1	1,800	.....	.....	100	178	500	...
7	3	2	1	1	2,000	1	2,000	400	40	2,500	7
8	.....	9	4	4	4,500	1	1,400	200	225	.....	.....
9	.....	4	4	2	2,000	1	500	400	.....	.....	.....
10	1	29	6	5	4,500	1	1,200	.....	742	.....	.....
11	.....	.....	4	4	8,200	1	1,500	400	155	.....	.....
12	2	4	5	3	2,800	1	1,300	100	277	800	.....
13	1	11	5	4	3,700	1	575	.....	700	.....	.....
14	7	8	1	1	13,600	1	1,500	200	159	4,000	.....
15	.....	11	4	4	5,100	1	1,200	300	134	2,000	.....
16	5	.....	1	1	16,500	1	4,000	200	1,314	7,000	.....
17	3	2	4	4	3,500	1	1,000	100	200	1,300	.....
18	1	5	5	4	3,200	1	700	350	125	.....	.....
19	.....	1	2	2	10,300	1	1,800	.....	400	.....	.....
20	1	2	2	2	5,000	1	1,500	175	108	.....	.....
21	1	7	7	3	2,500	1	600	2,000	.....	.....	.....
22	.....	.....	5	3	4,000	.....	.....	100	87	1,000	.....
23	3	8	9	1	1,200	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....
.....	61	183	76	56	\$131,800	19	\$29,275	\$7,750	\$10,575	\$43,000	\$96

\* NOTE.—One church damaged to extent of \$15; no collection on same.



TABLE No. 1.

		LEWISBURG DISTRICT.	MEMBERSHIP.											
			Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.			ADDI- TIONS.		*REMOVALS.					
				No. of Members.	Total Members this Year.	Total Members last Year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Certificate.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
	District Property.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1	Lewisburg.....	..	330	330	317	10	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
2	Frankford.....	3	621	624	483	130	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
3	Blue Sulphur.....	..	241	241	225	20	10	5	9	..	..	..	..	14
4	Green Sulphur. ....	..	183	183	175	2	9	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
5	Hinton.....	..	270	270	275	4	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
6	Talcott.....	..	287	287	288	24	6	12	12	..	2	5	..	31
7	Greenville & Peterstown..	..	572	572	576	25	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
8	Alderson.....	3	236	239	189	40	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
9	Union.....	..	275	275	261	16	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
10	Ronceverte.....	..	308	308	302	18	10	2	10	..	10	..	..	22
11	W. Sulphur.....	..	156	156	144	20	..	..	..	..	3	5	..	8
12	Alvon.....	..	97	97	154	9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	67
13	Alleghany.....	..	509	509	482	33	5	4	1	..	..	6	..	11
14	Covington.....	..	253	253	271	4	7	5	4	..	..	20	..	29
15	Clifton Forge.....	1	252	253	250	6	15	3	12	..	..	3	..	18
16	Millboro & Gillett's.....	..	303	303	318	2	1	..	15	..	3	..	..	18
17	Levelton.....	1	374	375	366	23	4	9	1	..	..	2	..	18
18	Huntersville.....	..	200	200	206	5	2	8	4	..	..	1	..	13
19	Green Bank.....	..	344	344	377	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41
20	Hot Springs.....	3	152	155	106	38	11	3	9	..	11	6	..	..
	Total.....	11	5963	5974	5765	437	172							400
MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.														
	District Property.. ....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1	Moorefield.....	..	283	283	306	2	1	5	..	..	17	4	..	26
2	Petersburg.....	1	185	186	185	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
3	Franklin.....	1	350	351	344	17	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
4	Crab Bottom.....	..	324	324	323	8	2	3	4	..	..	2	..	9
5	Keyser.....	..	243	243	239	7	14	2	10	..	..	5	..	17
6	Cumberland.....	..	111	111	85	13	26	2	6	..	..	5	..	13
7	Elk Garden.....	..	148	148	180	7	4	1	20	..	19	3	..	43
8	Piedmont.....	..	237	237	232	29	18	3	15	..	9	15	..	42
9	Frostburg.....	..	212	212	175	25	16	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
10	Flintstone.....	..	169	169	178	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
11	Romney.....	3	361	364	570	17	8	12	6	..	..	213	..	231
12	Springfield.....	..	334	334	379	26	1	3	15	..	44	10	..	72
13	Slanesville.....	2	330	332	328	8	2	2	2	1	..	1	..	6
14	Hardy.....	2	523	525	521	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
15	Morgan.....	1	334	335	335	10	2	10	..	..	2	..	..	12
16	Gainsboro.....	..	306	306	345	18	4	10	9	..	17	25	..	61
17	Wardensville.....	1	388	389	342	47	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
18	Capon Bridge.....	1	454	455	459	14	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
19	Listonburg.....	..	236	236	220	28	3	3	5	..	..	7	..	15
20	Monterey.....	..	349	349	334	18	6	2	4	..	..	3	..	9
21	McDowell.....	..	438	438	425	34	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	26
	Total.....	12	6315	6327	6505	338	125							641

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	BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.								
	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCH EDIFICES.			PARSONAGES.		Value of other church property.	Money expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance carried.	Premiums paid.
			Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.				
1	69	3	2	2	\$3,000	1	\$3,500	\$40	\$50	\$1,500	\$15
2	7	71	7	7	4,300	1	1,500	450	450	1,000	12
3	.....	15	6	6	3,200	1	1,000	125	150	.....	.....
4	.....	.....	2	1	600	1	600	75	10	500	...
5	11	1	1	1	12,000	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	2	24	5	3	2,500	1	2,000	2,500	782	6,750	62
7	1	20	11	5	4,250	1	800	105	275	.....	.....
8	1	13	4	4	5,000	1	1,000	475	669	.....	.....
9	2	10	7	6	6,000	1	1,500	250	.....	1,600	...
10	4	5	2	2	2,750	1	1,000	350	60	.....	.....
11	1	15	2	2	5,000	1	1,500	275	360	1,750	17
12	2	.....	3	2	15,000	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....
13	1	26	5	4	19,000	1	.....	95	45	.....	.....
14	5	.....	1	2	6,000	1	650	90	91	.....	.....
15	16	5	1	1	2,500	1	3,000	300	150	.....	.....
16	1	1	7	6	4,400	1	1,500	450	450	1,400	..
17	8	1	5	5	5,569	1	1,000	.....	30	.....	.....
18	9	.....	6	4	5,000	.....	1,600	.....	2,396	.....	.....
19	21	4	8	5	4,900	1	.....	175	.....	.....	.....
20	4	14	5	3	2,100	.....	600	300	125	.....	.....
	165	228	90	71	\$82,469	17	\$24,050	\$6,205	\$6,363	14,500	106
1	4	2	4	4	\$65,000	1	\$4,000	.....	\$75	\$2,500	...
2	4	1	5	4	4,000	1	3,500	\$500	155	*	...
3	5	4	5	4	5,500	1	1,000	450	246	.....	.....
4	15	..	6	2	2,500	1	2,050	250	1,034	.....	.....
5	4	3	1	1	6,000	1	1,250	300	95	.....	.....
6	20	4	1	1	2,600	.....	3,000	350	.....	3,500	..
7	8	1	3	2	1,610	.....	.....	176	811	.....	.....
8	30	14	2	2	7,000	.....	.....	209	.....	.....	.....
9	15	3	2	2	3,600	1	.....	400	906	3,000	\$54
10	15	.....	6	5	5,000	1	800	.....	116	.....	.....
11	1	5	12	12	9,800	1	500	125	250	.....	.....
12	8	5	8	5	6,200	1	2,500	200	200	.....	.....
13	10	.....	8	7	6,000	.....	1,800	150	145	.....	.....
14	2	2	7	6	3,470	..	.....	200	1,400	.....	.....
15	17	1	6	6	39,000	1	.....	70	70	600	12
16	...	17	6	5	3,700	1	1,000	350	600	600	...
17	...	12	5	3	4,100	1	800	50	285	.....	.....
18	1	5	8	5	4,100	1	800	480	.....	.....	.....
19	10	19	6	5	5,100	1	1,200	400	139	.....	.....
20	10	7	7	4	4,000	1	600	200	60	.....	.....
21	7	20	6	6	7,100	1	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....
					6,870	1	1,150	600	83	.....	.....
	186	125	114	91	\$104,550	17	\$27,050	\$5,460	\$6,710	\$10,200	\$66

\* Church damaged to the extent of \$700. No collection on same reported.

**TABLE No. 1.**  
**RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.**

	DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.											
		Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.			ADDI- TIONS.		*REMOVALS.					
			No. of Members.	Total members this year.	Total members last year.	By Profession.	By Certificate.	By Death.	By Certificate.	By Expulsion.	By Church Conf.	By Withdrawal.	Total Removals.
<b>1</b>	Baltimore .....	5	4,852	4,857	4,819	378	138	33	50	..	135	67	478
<b>2</b>	East Baltimore....	14	4,588	4,602	4,455	298	144	34	51	..	27	28	295
<b>3</b>	Washington.....	17	8,464	8,481	8,436	348	490	68	118	..	115	219	793
<b>4</b>	Winchester.. ....	4	7,350	7,354	6,937	577	645	46	162	..	32	149	805
<b>5</b>	Rockingham ....	9	6,343	6,352	6,346	260	262	58	220	1	75	69	516
<b>6</b>	Roanoke .....	14	7,563	7,577	7,640	306	428	33	78	..	200	153	797
<b>7</b>	Lewisburg.. .....	11	5,963	5,974	5,766	437	172	51	77	..	29	51	400
<b>8</b>	Moorefield.....	12	6,315	6,327	6,505	338	125	61	97	1	108	93	641
	Total.....	86	51,438	51,524	50,903	2,942	2,404	...	...	..	...	...	4725
	Total last year...	85	50,818	50,903	....	2,188	1,367	...	...	..	...	...	4060
	Increase .....	1	620	621	.....	754	1,037	...	...	..	...	...	665
	Decrease .....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...

\*Not summed up because not fully reported.

TABLE No. 1.  
**RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.**

	BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.								
			CHURCH EDIFICES.			PARSONAGES.		Value of other church property.	Money expended for Churches and Parsonages.	Insurance carried.	Premiums paid.
	Infants.	Adults.	Number Societies in charge.	No. of churches.	Value.	Number.	Value.				
<b>1</b>	290	53	55	54	\$ 212,900	15	\$34,500	10,350	\$ 9,910	87,150	287
<b>2</b>	363	23	64	64	147,800	19	29,650	4,662	8,143	82,422	429
<b>3</b>	133	199	79	78	234,400	18	34,200	14,553	27,809	105,040	392
<b>4</b>	165	284	84	70	164,800	20	41,550	8,203	13,547	60,500	261
<b>5</b>	120	149	72	67	130,950	21	30,150	11,843	14,820	58,513	224
<b>6</b>	61	183	76	56	131,800	19	29,275	7,750	10,575	43,000	96
<b>7</b>	165	228	90	71	82,469	17	24,050	6,205	6,363	14,500	106
<b>8</b>	186	125	114	91	104,550	17	27,950	5,460	6,710	10,200	66
	1,483	1,244	634	551	\$1,209,669	146	*251,325	69,026	97,877	461,325	1860
	1,399	897	643	545	1,192,261	145	243,400	51,564	59,941	427,730	1715
	84	347	...	6	\$17,408	1	7,925	17,462	37,936	33,595	145
.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...

NOTE.—3 Churches damaged to the amount of \$2,415. No collection on same reported.

\*Including 5 District Parsonages, valued at \$18,500.

TABLE No. 2.

*BALTIMORE DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage
J. A. Anderson, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
1	Central—H. M. Canter.....	165	165	1350	1350	.....	.....	.....
2	Caernaryon—W. H. Best.....	.....	.....	270	270	.....	.....	.....
3	St. Paul's—C. D. Bulla.....	230	230	1350	1350	.....	.....	400
4	Wilkins Ave—Wm. Stevens.....	25	25	500	500	.....	.....	.....
5	Emmanuel—J. O. Knott.....	150	150	1200	1200	.....	.....	225
6	Frederick Avenue—L. W. Haslup....	45	30	500	300	.....	.....	.....
7	Arlington & Sudbrook—J. S. Gardner...	150	115	1200	1200	.....	.....	250
	H. Burris.....	.....	.....	400	400	.....	.....	.....
8	Reisterstown & Mission—W. M. Waters..	63	63	600	600	.....	.....	150
9	Freedom—J. M. Hawley .....	75	65	500	432	10	10	120
10	Howard—T. J. Lambert.....	75	74	525	515	.....	.....	125
11	Lingapore—A. Weller.....	100	91	600	573	22	14	60
	.....	.....	.....	125	115	.....	.....	.....
12	Frederick City—J. H. White.....	33	33	400	400	.....	.....	.....
13	Brunswick—S. M. Bowman.....	12	12	225	225	.....	.....	120
14	Rockville—G. D. White.....	155	155	900	900	30	21	300
	E. A. Edwards.....	.....	.....	300	300	.....	.....	.....
15	Gaithersburg—W. A. McDonald.....	95	95	800	800	.....	.....	144
16	Montgomery—W. H. Sanders.....	115	115	700	700	.....	.....	100
	H. C. Febrey.....	.....	.....	300	300	.....	.....	.....
17	Beltsville—H. T. Wirgman.....	40	35	500	466	15	.....	96
18	Hyattsville—W. E. Woolf.....	80	69	800	636	.....	.....	300
19	Emory—F. T. Griffith.....	52	43	600	500	.....	.....	200
20	Wesley Grove—J. H. Dulany .....	95	95	750	750	.....	.....	100
21	Laurel—J. R. Tillery.....	45	40	705	597	.....	.....	.....
Total .....		1800	1700	16100	15379	7	45	2690

*EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage
I. W. Canter, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
1	Trinity—C. M. Hawkins.....	310	310	2000	2000	.....	.....	500
2	Calvary—D. H. Kern.....	106	106	1000	1000	.....	.....	300
3	North Baltimore.....	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Taylor's—J. L. Shipley .....	73	73	550	550	.....	.....	150
	W. E. Henry.....	.....	.....	300	300	.....	.....	.....
5	West Harford—L. Hammond.....	50	50	500	500	.....	.....	100
6	East Harford—J. F. Baggs.....	73	64	550	500	.....	.....	120
7	Queen Anne's—C. L. Kennard .....	91	91	540	540	.....	.....	100
8	Kent—J. E. Wilson.....	76	76	550	600	.....	.....	100
9	Church Hill—J. W. Mitchell.....	75	75	400	400	.....	.....	100
10	Hillsboro—C. W. Moore.....	54	50	400	374	.....	.....	75
11	Easton and Caroline—C. D. Harris.....	106	80	600	600	35	35	.....
	B. S. Highly.....	.....	.....	175	125	.....	.....	.....
12	Trappe—G. R. Mays.....	57	55	400	382	.....	.....	100
13	Royal Oak—L. G. Martin.....	36	30	430	380	.....	.....	30
14	Tilghman's—J. W. Beall.....	36	36	450	450	.....	.....	.....
15	Severn—W. E. Miller.....	76	65	550	464	.....	.....	100
16	Chesapeake—W. P. C. Coe.....	91	91	600	600	.....	.....	100
17	West River—C. M. Mark .....	45	35	400	309	.....	.....	75
18	Calvert—W. B. Dorsey.....	116	107	650	601	36	25	125
	J. F. Valliant.....	.....	.....	300	277	.....	.....	.....
19	Prince George's—A. B. Sites.....	76	76	480	480	.....	.....	150
20	Charles—J. B. Henry.....	56	50	400	358	.....	.....	100
21	St. Mary's—G. K. Heydrick.....	42	32	300	227	.....	.....	.....
22	Patuxent—H. M. Roane.....	62	59	550	526	.....	.....	100
23	Forest Grove—F. Furr.....	38	26	450	319	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		1800	1637	13525	12859	71	60	2425

\*Two circuits removed from Baltimore to East Baltimore District.

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	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Education.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
1	40	40	181	181	54	54	31	31	10	7	7	1619	6696
2													
3	56	56	251	256	75	75	43	43	.....	8	8	2383	7725
4	7	4	27	19	8	5	4	2	.....	1	...	78	781
5	36	36	164	174	49	49	28	28	.....	7	7	729	3323
6	10	3	49	7	16	1	10	1	1	....	...	..	462
7	36	36	164	164	49	49	29	29	5	7	7	1297	4259
8	15	15	69	69	21	21	13	13	2	3	3	14	1457
9	18	10	82	25	25	10	12	5	.....	3	2	41	835
10	18	18	82	82	25	20	12	12	3	3	3	117	2758
11	25	22	109	69	33	15	19	15	5	5	5	5	1289
12	8	8	36	36	11	11	6	6	2	2	2	69	669
13	3	3	13	13	4	4	2	2	1	1	1	496	1434
14	38	30	170	164	51	23	49	14	15	7	5	374	3281
15	23	23	104	104	31	20	17	15	9	...	...	115	1741
16	28	28	126	126	38	20	18	18	...	5	5	160	3601
17	44	14	50	31	8	2	...	.....	1	3	1	150	991
18	19	15	88	48	26	14	15	10	4	2	2	5	1543
19	12	7	57	20	17	4	8	3	1	2	1	1	959
20	23	23	104	75	31	11	17	6	3	4	3	190	1750
21	12	8	49	8	15	2	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	265	1234
	471	399	1975	1671	587	410	333	253	62	70	62	8108	46888

	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Education.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
1	56	56	240	240	70	70	37	37	19	4	4	2855	7701
2	27	27	116	116	35	35	21	21	.....	3	3	1615	3668
3													
4	15	14	68	65	22	18	12	12	8	3	3	95	1543
5	10	10	49	49	14	14	10	10	4	3	3	85	1391
6	13	5	76	10	24	2	14	3	.....	...	...	90	4402
7	19	13	87	40	28	5	14	6	.....	3	1	110	1344
8	16	16	79	45	25	7	16	5	5	3	3	94	1157
9	19	5	82	12	25	6	15	5	1	3	1	87	1015
10	12	11	59	10	18	3	9	3	.....	2	.....	74	754
11	11	11	30	30	27	27	5	5	3	1	1	22	3027
12	16	8	72	18	22	3	12	2	.....	...	...	83	1339
13	6	6	29	29	9	5	5	.....	.....	1	...	75	749
14	7	7	29	29	9	9	5	5	.....	...	...	169	858
15	16	3	73	20	21	2	12	2	2	3	2	70	975
16	18	9	83	42	24	5	14	5	.....	...	...	78	1347
17	7	3	38	13	13	3	7	2	1	...	..	75	596
18	25	13	114	40	34	11	20	8	2	2	2	110	1932
19	16	11	78	19	24	8	14	5	2	.....	.....	65	1031
20	12	3	55	9	16	3	8	2	.....	...	...	60	708
21	10	7	38	12	13	4	7	3	.....	2	1	84	469
22	14	9	78	50	23	15	14	8	2	3	2	90	1073
23	9	2	47	15	14	3	9	1	.....	2	.....	50	542
	354	249	1620	913	510	258	280	150	49	38	26	6136	37621



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WASHINGTON DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage
J. H. Boyd, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
1	Mt. Vernon Place—J. W. Duffey.....	230	230	1700	1700	.....	.....	700
2	Epworth—W. S. Hammond.....	80	80	1200	1200	.....	.....	.....
3	Marvin—W. F. Locke.....	84	84	1366	1366	.....	.....	.....
4	West Washington & Del Ray—F. L. Day.	25	25	450	450	.....	.....	.....
5	Alexandria—E. V. Regester.....	178	178	1200	1200	.....	.....	300
6	Fredricksburg—J. P. Stump.....	112	112	1000	1000	.....	.....	250
7	Falls' Church—G. T. Tyler.....	88	85	900	862	.....	.....	150
8	Leesburg—J. H. Light.....	90	90	825	825	26	26	200
9	Loudoun—C. Sydenstricker.....	122	122	850	850	.....	.....	120
	D. L. Eutsler.....	.....	.....	250	250	.....	.....	.....
10	Middleburg—C. S. Stanton.....	72	72	600	650	.....	.....	150
11	Hillsboro—C. H. Buchanan.....	76	76	675	700	.....	.....	60
12	Hamilton—W. H. Woolf.....	68	68	600	600	.....	.....	150
13	Marshall—E. H. Henry.....	84	81	600	576	.....	.....	150
	S. Grady.....	.....	.....	200	192	.....	.....	.....
14	Warrenton—J. H. Wells.....	66	66	700	700	.....	.....	150
15	Fairfax—C. K. Millican.....	75	75	650	750	.....	.....	100
	B. D. Harrison.....	.....	.....	100	115	.....	.....	.....
16	Sterling—S. B. Dolly.....	72	72	500	525	7	7	60
	G. W. Gaither.....	.....	.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....
17	Occoquan—S. V. Hildebrand.....	62	62	600	600	.....	.....	120
18	Fauquier—J. C. Sedwick.....	52	52	578	537	.....	.....	100
19	Sudley—J. W. Bain.....	52	52	525	532	.....	.....	150
20	Manassas—D. L. Blakemore.....	40	40	500	500	.....	.....	100
21	Stafford—J. K. Gilbert.....	38	30	450	360	.....	.....	50
22	Morrisville—W. T. Gover.....	34	34	340	340	.....	.....	75
Total.....		1800	1786	17559	17580	50	50	3135

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage
B. W. Bond, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
Rent Value of District Parsonage.....		250	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	Winchester—S. K. Cox.....	123	123	1200	1200	.....	.....	250
2	Frederick—L. Fox.....	51	36	500	314	.....	.....	96
3	Stephens' City—J. C. Thrasher.....	72	72	750	750	.....	.....	100
4	Middletown—A. M. Cackley.....	77	77	800	800	.....	.....	100
5	Strasburg—L. R. Markwood.....	62	56	600	527	.....	.....	100
6	Woodstock—J. C. Jones.....	92	92	900	900	.....	.....	150
7	Woodstock Mission—J. W. Reeves.....	10	6	102	60	.....	.....	.....
8	Edenburgh—H. M. Reed.....	51	51	434	434	.....	.....	100
9	Front Royal and Riverton—J. S. Engle..	84	89	800	840	.....	.....	150
10	Warren—T. J. Miller.....	31	30	422	405	.....	.....	50
11	Linden—I. G. Michael.....	50	50	500	500	.....	.....	75
12	Page—J. H. Wolff.....	41	30	400	270	.....	.....	50
13	White Post—F. A. Gains.....	72	69	475	458	.....	.....	100
	.....	.....	.....	210	202	.....	.....	.....
14	Berryville—R. R. S. Hough.....	61	61	650	650	.....	.....	100
15	Brucetown—O. C. Beall.....	87	87	613	613	.....	.....	60
	C. M. Hesser.....	.....	.....	260	260	.....	.....	.....
16	Martinsburg—S. G. Ferguson.....	102	102	1000	1000	.....	.....	300
17	Berkeley—C. L. Potter.....	61	61	550	600	15	15	50
18	Charles Town—H. H. Kennedy.....	92	92	900	900	10	10	250
19	Jefferson—F. A. Strother.....	87	88	800	807	.....	.....	.....
20	Shepherdstown—J. L. Kibler.....	72	72	700	708	.....	.....	100
21	Shenandoah Junction—L. S. Rudasill.....	15	15	180	196	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		1643	1609	13746	13394	25	25	2181



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	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Educa- tion.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
<b>1</b>	62	62	278	278	85	85	48	48	25	11	11	1655	8004
<b>2</b>	21	21	96	96	30	30	17	17	.....	3	3	854	3546
<b>3</b>	22	22	102	102	31	31	19	19	5	4	4	1126	3928
<b>4</b>	6	6	30	30	9	9	5	5	.	.....	.....	135	1377
<b>5</b>	49	49	214	214	66	66	34	34	1	8	8	925	19928
<b>6</b>	30	30	134	184	42	42	25	25	7	5	5	408	4171
<b>7</b>	23	23	105	110	32	32	18	18	10	4	4	280	2435
<b>8</b>	24	24	109	109	33	33	19	19	....	4	4	252	2086
<b>9</b>	32	22	149	149	46	46	26	26	10	5	5	200	2536
<b>10</b>	19	9	82	41	26	10	15	7	.....	2	2	150	1282
<b>11</b>	20	10	88	54	28	8	16	8	2	2	2	100	1698
<b>12</b>	18	18	82	82	26	26	14	14	2	3	3	360	1721
<b>13</b>	23	18	105	74	32	10	20	10	4	.....	.....	.....	2641
<b>14</b>	17	11	78	56	24	14	13	7	4	3	2	185	1653
<b>15</b>	21	21	88	118	27	27	16	16	.. ..	4	4	30	5312
<b>16</b>	19	14	84	65	26	10	15	10	.....	.....	.....	525	1858
<b>17</b>	17	10	76	60	24	14	14	8	2	3	3	125	1463
<b>18</b>	14	8	64	36	19	11	11	6	1	2	2	122	1991
<b>19</b>	14	12	64	40	19	5	11	10	2	2	1	100	1131
<b>20</b>	12	8	49	35	15	10	9	4	1	1	1	71	1137
<b>21</b>	10	10	46	11	13	4	8	3	2	1	1	75	613
<b>22</b>	9	4	42	10	12	4	7	2	2	1	..	40	716
	482	422	2165	1954	665	527	380	316	80	68	65	7718	71227

	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Educa- tion.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
<b>1</b>	35	28	151	100	46	30	26	15	15	6	4	398	10744
<b>2</b>	14	7	63	15	20	5	11	2	1	2	1	50	720
<b>3</b>	20	13	88	55	28	10	15	5	10	...	...	20	1509
<b>4</b>	21	21	94	94	29	29	17	17	.....	4	4	165	1762
<b>5</b>	13	10	72	48	23	9	12	6	1	3	2	.....	1098
<b>6</b>	25	25	113	113	34	34	20	20	5	4	4	137	1926
<b>7</b>	1	1	6	6	2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	88
<b>8</b>	14	7	63	32	20	10	11	5	2	2	2	.....	964
<b>9</b>	23	23	106	106	30	30	19	19	10	5	5	.....	1860
<b>10</b>	8	4	38	17	11	4	6	1	1	..	..	.....	736
<b>11</b>	14	8	63	25	20	5	11	3	2	.....	..	.....	959
<b>12</b>	11	4	50	10	15	4	9	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	635
<b>13</b>	20	8	88	31	28	10	15	5	.....	3	3	152	2978
<b>14</b>	17	13	75	61	23	15	13	8	4	3	2	181	1432
<b>15</b>	23	23	107	85	31	24	19	14	.....	4	4	4	1679
<b>16</b>	28	28	125	125	38	38	22	22	5	5	5	373	3059
<b>17</b>	17	17	75	76	23	23	13	13	2	3	3	32	2208
<b>18</b>	25	25	113	113	34	34	20	20	3	4	4	749	3017
<b>19</b>	23	24	107	108	31	32	19	19	5	4	4	.....	2096
<b>20</b>	20	18	88	80	28	20	15	10	4	3	3	178	1704
<b>21</b>	4	2	19	6	6	2	3	1	.....	1	.....	.....	233
	376	309	1704	1306	520	370	297	208	70	56	50	2439	41407

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ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage.
J. E. ARMSTRONG, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
Rent value of district parsonage .....		150	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	Staunton—F. J. Prettyman .....	173	173	1500	1500	.....	.....	150
2	East End & Marquis Mem.—P. W. Jeffries .....	50	50	446	446	.....	.....	.....
3	Harrisonburg—J. R. Andrew .....	138	138	1200	1200	.....	.....	150
4	Bridgewater—W. L. Dolly .....	101	90	625	557	.....	.....	75
	B. V. Switzer .....	.....	.....	250	223	.....	.....	.....
5	Mt. Crawford—R. L. Fultz .....	69	62	600	545	.....	.....	50
6	Parnassus—J. J. Ringer .....	58	53	475	449	.....	.....	40
7	West Augusta—J. W. Canter .....	30	20	300	181	.....	.....	36
8	Augusta—W. J. Whitesell .....	66	60	525	487	.....	.....	75
9	Waynesboro—H. S. Coe .....	89	80	600	534	.....	.....	120
10	New Hope—A. R. Martin .....	52	38	450	327	22	17	40
11	Rockingham—T. Cooper .....	53	45	460	385	7	5	100
12	East Rockingham—L. R. Jones .....	58	58	425	425	.....	.....	60
13	Elkton—J. C. Hawk .....	63	54	550	473	.....	.....	36
14	Port Republic—J. H. Smith .....	52	52	450	450	.....	.....	40
15	Shenandoah—J. L. Henderson .....	49	42	451	395	.....	.....	100
16	Luray—H. H. Sherman .....	58	58	700	700	6	6	120
17	New Market—R. M. Wheeler .....	42	42	375	369	.....	.....	60
18	Mt. Jackson—T. Briley .....	34	22	300	197	.....	.....	75
19	Marksville—B. L. Parrott .....	34	20	300	180	.....	.....	40
20	Fairfield—W. H. Marsh .....	58	58	450	450	.....	.....	60
21	Rockbridge Baths—A. C. McNeer .....	34	21	300	191	.....	.....	75
22	Bell's Valley—A. L. Harnsberger .....	35	26	325	237	.....	.....	60
Total .....		1546	1412	12057	10901	35	28	1562

ROANOKE DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage.
D. BUSH, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
Rent value of district parsonage .....		250	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	Salem—W. H. H. Joyce .....	100	100	800	800	.....	.....	150
2	Greene Memorial—W. H. D. Harper .....	160	160	1500	1500	.....	.....	360
3	Trinity—R. Smithson .....	90	90	900	950	25	25	.....
4	St. James—H. I. Stephens .....	70	70	950	950	.....	.....	100
5	Grace—James M. Green .....	65	65	700	700	.....	.....	.....
6	Belmont—H. Q. Burr .....	35	35	400	400	16	16	.....
7	Vinton—T. E. Carson .....	65	65	600	600	.....	.....	60
8	Roanoke Circuit—C. B. LeFew .....	35	31	340	307	.....	.....	60
9	Bethany—W. O. Ross .....	40	38	400	382	.....	.....	30
10	Buchanan—H. L. Myerly .....	60	56	600	560	.....	.....	60
11	Fincastle—J. W. Grubb .....	70	52	700	518	.....	.....	100
12	Glen Wilton—L. Butt .....	50	48	580	552	40	.....	125
13	Eagle Rock—R. H. Wilson .....	40	37	633	588	.....	.....	125
14	Buena Vista—G. T. D. Collins .....	60	60	600	600	.....	.....	100
15	Rockbridge—W. O. Tolbert .....	40	40	400	400	.....	.....	100
16	Lexington—H. P. Hamill .....	90	90	900	900	14	14	240
17	Collierstown—A. P. Boude .....	30	20	400	245	.....	.....	50
18	Elliston—W. W. Watts .....	40	40	406	398	6	.....	60
19	Christiansburg—W. D. Keene .....	60	60	600	600	.....	.....	125
20	Blacksburg—J. H. Davidson .....	60	60	600	600	.....	.....	100
21	Newport—G. O. Homan .....	60	55	500	460	.....	.....	100
22	New Castle—O. W. Lusby .....	50	46	500	462	.....	.....	60
23	Catawba—L. H. Graybill .....	30	24	285	201	.....	.....	.....
Total .....		1650	1592	14294	13673	101	55	2105

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	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Extens'n		Educa- tion.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
1	41	41	185	185	56	56	33	33	.....	7	7	727	4031
2	12	12	54	54	16	16	8	8	3	2	2	67	1945
3	33	33	148	148	45	45	26	26	5	6	6	20	3134
4	24	17	108	90	32	24	19	12	5	4	3	614	2922
5	16	16	74	74	22	22	13	13	4	3	3	155	1409
6	14	8	62	40	19	4	11	3	.....	2	.....	9	1017
7	6	4	31	7	8	4	6	3	1	1	1	...	393
8	16	9	70	35	21	1	12	6	7	3	2	33	2916
9	21	5	96	21	30	7	17	3	1	3	1	95	1279
10	12	8	55	15	17	5	10	3	4	2	...	45	1017
11	13	5	57	18	17	5	10	4	1	2	1	46	849
12	14	5	62	32	19	5	11	3	2	3	1	35	719
13	15	13	68	32	21	10	12	7	2	3	2	.....	848
14	12	12	55	55	17	17	10	10	1	2	2	113	1578
15	12	6	53	25	16	8	10	2	1	2	...	33	873
16	14	10	62	50	19	7	11	7	.....	3	2	185	8939
17	10	4	46	10	13	3	8	2	4	1	1	40	726
18	8	4	38	10	10	2	6	3	.....	1	...	40	448
19	8	5	38	20	10	5	6	4	1	1	1	25	446
20	14	5	62	20	19	5	11	3	3	2	1	.....	879
21	8	2	38	2	10	1	6	1	1	1	.....	4	444
22	8	2	38	2	10	5	6	1	1	1	.....	173	726
	331	226	1500	945	447	257	262	157	47	55	36	2459	37538

	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Extens'n		Educa- tion.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
1	22	22	102	102	29	29	18	18	5	4	4	433	2691
2	44	44	194	194	55	55	34	34	12	7	7	956	4488
3	25	25	116	116	32	32	20	20	6	5	5	1238	3301
4	12	10	101	.....	28	28	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	509	6855
5	22	10	102	50	30	20	18	10	2	.....	.....	175	1294
6	10	10	40	40	11	11	7	7	4	2	2	100	991
7	18	18	76	76	22	22	14	14	1	3	3	60	1205
8	11	4	50	18	14	4	9	2	2	2	2	125	856
9	11	7	50	20	14	4	9	8	3	2	2	55	613
10	17	7	76	34	22	10	14	6	.....	3	1	.....	1567
11	17	5	90	26	26	7	18	5	.....	.....	.....	124	1127
12	14	10	65	53	18	7	12	5	7	3	...	66	1325
13	10	5	41	25	12	6	6	3	.....	2	1	75	1664
14	17	17	76	23	22	10	14	5	.....	2	...	1002	2113
15	12	5	50	20	14	7	9	4	1	2	1	3	798
16	25	25	116	116	32	32	20	20	12	4	4	21	3160
17	11	2	50	5	14	4	9	1	.....	1	1	.....	545
18	11	6	50	27	14	7	8	4	2	2	2	125	1052
19	17	5	76	30	22	10	12	10	1	3	1	.....	1402
20	15	15	70	70	20	4	12	7	3	3	3	89	1292
21	14	9	64	20	18	8	11	4	1	3	1	.....	810
22	14	5	64	20	18	8	11	5	3	2	2	.....	826
23	7	3	32	12	8	3	6	2	4	1	1	11	311
	376	269	1751	1097	495	328	311	194	69	56	43	5172	40286

TABLE No. 2.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage.
J. S. HUTCHINSON, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
	Rent Value of District Parsonage.....	250	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	Lewisburg—W. Melville.....	105	105	700	700	43	.....	150
2	Frankford—G. W. Richardson .....	110	111	495	501	.....	.....	100
	H. Lawson.....	.....	.....	165	167	.....	.....	.....
3	Blue Sulphur—C. Lynch.....	55	50	460	433	.....	.....	60
4	Green Sulphur—H. D. Bishop.....	25	12	200	105	.....	.....	30
5	Hinton—H. A. Brown.....	110	112	1000	1014	.....	.....	180
6	Talcott—H. A. Wilson.....	50	39	330	262	.....	.....	60
7	Greenville and Peterstown—W. L. Smith. G. H. Echols.....	80	72	470	426	.....	.....	100
8	Alderson—C. B. Sutton .....	85	75	550	500	.....	.....	120
9	Union—O. F. Burgess .....	85	80	550	520	.....	.....	100
10	Ronceverte—H. L. Hout.....	65	65	775	775	.....	.....	120
11	W. Sulphur—J. M. Yorke.....	45	41	350	325	.....	.....	50
12	Alvon—J. M. Eavey.....	30	24	250	200	.....	.....	30
13	Alleghany—L. B. Atkins.....	50	50	525	525	.....	.....	60
14	Covington—L. L. Lloyd .....	110	110	800	800	27	27	150
15	Clifton Forge—J. R. Vanhorne.....	105	105	800	800	.....	.....	150
16	Millboro and Gilletts—M. P. Weikle.....	45	33	330	247	.....	.....	30
17	Levelton—J. H. Dills .....	100	98	550	534	.....	.....	160
18	Huntersville—J. M. Anderson.....	50	50	300	300	.....	.....	.....
19	Green Bank—A. C. Hamill .....	60	50	370	325	.....	.....	60
20	Hot Springs—H. T. Heironimus.....	35	35	210	210	.....	.....	.....
	Total .....	1650	1567	10500	9956	70	27	1710

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.		Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent p'd or rent value of parsonage.
B. F. BALL, Presiding Elder.		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
	Rent Value of District Parsonage.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	Moorefield—D. F. Eutsler .....	85	85	600	600	.....	.....	150
2	Petersburg—H. A. Murrill.....	60	60	350	367	.....	.....	50
3	Franklin—J. H. Schooley .....	65	62	550	515	.....	.....	150
4	Crab Bottom—J. W. McNeil.....	65	65	450	450	.....	.....	75
5	Keyser —J. T. Williams.....	85	85	800	800	.....	.....	200
6	Cumberland—J. H. Kuhlman.....	25	25	400	400	.....	.....	.....
7	Elk Garden—R. K. Nevitt.....	57	57	311	305	.....	.....	.....
8	Piedmont—W. H. Ballengee.....	80	80	700	700	.....	.....	96
9	Frostburg—C. H. Cannon.....	65	65	450	450	.....	.....	.....
10	Flintstone—D. M. Brown.....	60	48	450	355	.....	.....	50
11	Romney—D. L. Reid.....	125	125	700	700	.....	.....	125
	{ S. J. McCracken .....	.....	.....	150	150	.....	.....	.....
	{ G. D. Kidner .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Springfield—H. M. Strickler .....	70	70	500	500	.....	.....	75
13	Slanesville—W. A. Sites.....	60	55	405	375	.....	.....	.....
14	Hardy—G. W. Bogle.....	60	60	350	350	.....	.....	.....
15	Morgan—C. M. Sarver.....	50	50	400	400	.....	.....	60
16	Gainesboro—N. N. Hall.....	60	60	400	400	.....	.....	60
17	Wardensville—D. W. Griffin .....	55	47	370	313	.....	.....	50
18	Capon Bridge—C. E. Simmons.....	70	68	500	482	.....	.....	60
19	Listonburg—J. R. Jacobs.....	60	60	340	340	.....	.....	50
20	Monterey—T. G. Nevitt.....	75	64	600	512	.....	.....	150
21	McDowell—S. A. Parker.....	68	68	500	500	.....	.....	75
	Total.....	1600	1559	10276	9964	.....	.....	1476

TABLE No 2.

	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Education.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
<b>1</b>	22	15	100	50	26	12	18	10	2	4	2	140	2156
<b>2</b>	23	12	105	53	27	13	18	9	4	4	2	250	1459
<b>3</b>	12	8	52	20	14	6	9	6	1	1	1	77	807
<b>4</b>	5	2	24	10	6	3	4	3	1	1	1	3	191
<b>5</b>	23	20	105	70	27	15	18	8	2	2	2	191	2715
<b>6</b>	11	8	48	12	13	5	9	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	733
<b>7</b>	17	13	76	31	20	10	13	8	2	3	2	8	1786
<b>8</b>	18	10	81	30	21	5	14	6	3	3	.....	.....	930
<b>9</b>	18	12	81	47	21	9	14	3	1	3	1	56	1024
<b>10</b>	14	14	62	62	16	16	10	10	4	2	2	338	2088
<b>11</b>	9	9	43	43	11	11	8	8	.....	1	1	215	909
<b>12</b>	6	3	29	7	7	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	342
<b>13</b>	11	11	48	48	13	13	8	8	.....	2	2	79	1004
<b>14</b>	23	23	105	105	27	27	18	18	.....	4	4	429	2384
<b>15</b>	22	20	100	77	26	12	18	10	...	4	.....	213	2226
<b>16</b>	9	2	43	10	11	3	8	2	5	1	1	20	436
<b>17</b>	21	8	95	63	25	10	17	7	10	4	2	60	3504
<b>18</b>	11	5	48	15	13	4	8	3	1	2	...	6	432
<b>19</b>	13	....	57	7	15	....	9	....	.....	3	...	15	599
<b>20</b>	7	7	35	35	9	9	6	6	1	1	1	.....	369
	295	202	1337	795	348	185	232	126	37	45	24	2100	26094

	Bishops.		Conference Claimants.		Church Exten.		Education.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P. & L. Institute		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
<b>1</b>	17	12	85	66	25	12	16	10	6	3	3	121	1707
<b>2</b>	12	8	45	18	15	5	9	5	1	2	1	27	864
<b>3</b>	15	12	65	40	20	15	11	7	4	2	1	.....	2001
<b>4</b>	13	6	55	12	17	2	10	1	1	2	1	50	805
<b>5</b>	20	20	100	89	25	15	15	10	.....	3	1	160	1715
<b>6</b>	5	5	21	21	4	4	5	5	1	1	1	.....	1419
<b>7</b>	12	8	45	30	14	10	8	5	.....	2	2	39	634
<b>8</b>	17	17	70	70	22	22	12	12	4	3	3	143	2399
<b>9</b>	10	10	60	60	16	16	10	10	2	2	2	93	1040
<b>10</b>	13	8	65	19	18	3	11	2	1	2	1	47	874
<b>11</b>	21	21	95	95	32	32	18	18	5	4	4	210	2085
<b>12</b>	16	10	80	70	22	15	13	10	4	2	2	.....	1153
<b>13</b>	12	8	58	29	18	10	10	6	1	1	1	60	781
<b>14</b>	12	8	48	32	16	10	10	6	1	2	1	130	829
<b>15</b>	12	4	48	6	16	2	9	1	.....	2	...	40	1196
<b>16</b>	12	4	58	20	18	6	10	3	2	2	...	64	985
<b>17</b>	12	5	48	22	13	5	8	4	1	2	1	175	716
<b>18</b>	15	10	70	50	20	10	11	5	5	3	...	75	1098
<b>19</b>	12	7	48	18	15	4	8	3	.....	2	1	.....	651
<b>20</b>	16	16	78	78	25	25	14	14	15	3	3	.....	1086
<b>21</b>	15	13	70	48	22	9	11	8	3	2	1	.....	1037
	89	212	1312	893	393	232	229	145	57	47	30	1434	25078

TABLE No. 2.

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

	DISTRICTS.	Presiding Elder.		Preacher's Salary.		Trav. Exp's.		House rent paid or rent value of parsonage.
		Ass'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	Est'd.	Paid.	
<b>1</b>	Baltimore.....	1800	1700	16100	15379	77	45	2690
<b>2</b>	East Baltimore.....	1800	1637	13525	12859	71	60	2425
<b>3</b>	Washington .....	1800	1786	17559	17580	50	50	3135
<b>4</b>	Winchester .....	1643	1609	13746	13394	25	25	2181
<b>5</b>	Rockingham.....	1546	1412	12057	10901	35	28	1562
<b>6</b>	Roanoke.....	1650	1592	14294	13673	101	55	2105
<b>7</b>	Lewisburg .....	1650	1567	10500	9956	70	27	1710
<b>8</b>	Moorefield.....	1600	1559	10276	9964	.....	.....	1476
	Total this year.....	13489	12862	107079	103706	429	290	17284
	Total last year.....	13565	12905	107631	101768	641	490	17571
	Increase.....	.....	.....	.....	1938	.....	.....	.....
	Decrease .....	76	43	552	.....	212	200	287

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	Bishops.		Conference. Claimants.		Church Extens'n		Educa- tion.		Am.B. Soc'y.	P.& L. Inst.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
<b>1</b>	471	399	1975	1671	587	410	333	253	62	7	62	8108	46888
<b>2</b>	354	249	1620	913	510	258	280	150	49	38	26	6136	37621
<b>3</b>	482	422	2165	1954	665	527	380	316	80	68	65	7718	71227
<b>4</b>	37	309	1704	1306	520	370	297	208	70	56	50	2439	41407
<b>5</b>	331	226	1500	945	447	257	262	157	47	55	36	2459	37538
<b>6</b>	376	269	1751	1097	495	328	311	194	69	56	43	5172	40286
<b>7</b>	295	202	1337	795	348	185	232	126	37	45	24	2100	26094
<b>8</b>	289	212	1312	893	393	232	229	145	57	47	30	1434	25078
	2974	2288	13364	9574	3965	2567	2324	1549	471	372	336	35566	326139
	2494	1971	13480	9136	3995	2467	2327	1423	363	408	278	31319	277497
	480	317	.....	438	...	100	.....	126	108	..	58	4247	48642
	.....	..	116	.....	30	.....	3	.....	.....	36	...	.....	.....

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Baltimore .....	\$498	\$137
East Baltimore .....	357	602
Washington .....	1022	1465
Winchester .....	689	128
Rockingham .....	219	400
Roanoke .....	413	78
Lewisburg .....	268	148
Moorefield .....	262	3
	3728	2961

TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.  
BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Amt. Collected for Sunday Schools.	Amt. Collected for Missions.	Amt. Collected on Children's Day.	Amt. Collected for Other Ob- jects.	Total Amount Raised.
Central and Caernarvon ...	3	154	2	22	307	246	190	...	...	436
St. Paul's.....	2	175	1	35	250	240	501	6	...	747
Wilkins Ave.....	2	138	1	22	285	42	40	...	16	98
Emmanuel.....	2	91	1	28	245	132	367	6	25	530
Frederick Ave.....	..	..	1	10	126	21	24	....	18	63
Arlington and Sudbrook...	3	118	2	28	290	196	327	9	150	682
Reisterstown and Mission..	1	40	2	16	130	50	96	10	32	188
Freedom.....	1	20	4	34	179	56	10	2	....	68
Howard.....	1	25	3	30	90	20	21	....	...	41
Linganore ..	2	59	5	58	817	99	77	....	111	287
Frederick City.....	1	25	1	13	86	19	31	2	2	54
Brunswick.....	..	..	1	14	130	35	27	2	....	64
Rockville.....	5	250	4	39	250	68	63	15	5	151
Gaithersburg.....	1	50	3	28	246	61	44	8	10	123
Montgomery.....	2	35	8	75	430	92	52	18	29	191
Beltsville.....	3	97	2	17	150	26	6	5	35	72
Hyattsville.....	4	125	4	39	209	75	43	10	....	128
Emory.....	..	..	1	17	120	94	27	3	3	127
Wesley Grove.....	..	..	4	37	236	91	135	18	....	244
Laurel.....	1	60	3	40	292	146	10	....	....	156
Total.....	34	1472	53	602	4,863	1,809	2,019	114	436	4,450

## EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

Trinity.....	1	88	1	27	375	250	551	10	...	811
Calvary.....	2	135	1	20	170	100	192	3	....	295
Taylor's.....	1	19	4	35	140	78	54	15	....	147
West Harford.....	..	..	2	26	92	35	66	12	58	171
East Harford.....	2	60	2	28	180	75	24	3	....	102
Kent.....	2	60	2	22	148	32	13	12	...	57
Queen Anne's.....	1	20	4	37	226	45	83	2	28	158
Church Hill.....	1	20	4	28	167	30	23	...	....	53
Hillsboro'.....	1	30	2	10	90	17	34	....	4	55
Easton and Caroline.....	2	150	3	30	194	57	50	6	....	113
Trappe.....	1	43	2	18	100	22	3	4	....	29
Royal Oak.....	..	..	2	18	136	15	30	5	3	53
Tilghman's.....	..	..	2	16	160	35	8	....	8	51
Severn.....	1	24	3	25	109	114	6	9	21	150
Chesapeake.....	1	38	3	38	201	47	98	14	...	159
West River.....	..	..	2	11	93	18	7	7	8	40
Calvert.....	2	80	6	56	376	120	13	....	10	143
Prince George's.....	2	33	4	20	135	20	22	5	....	47
Charles.....	1	30	3	25	125	20	6	2	20	48
St. Mary's.....	..	..	2	17	51	15	1	....	...	16
Patuxent.....	3	81	4	25	143	18	24	11	43	96
Forest Grove.....	..	..	2	12	100	8	5	6	10	29
Total.....	24	911	60	544	3,511	1171	1,313	126	213	2,823

TABLE No 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

## WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am't Collected for S. Schools.	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Am't Collected for Other Ob-jects.	Total Amount Raised.
Mount Vernon Place.....	....	....	1	46	387	234	546	15	....	795
Epworth and Mission....	2	150	1	20	267	95	142	.....	.....	237
Marvin .....	....	....	1	19	190	48	199	3	146	396
W. Wash'ton and Del Ray.	3	115	2	14	160	100	33	.....	20	152
Alexandria....	1	183	2	53	414	290	427	5	100	822
Fredericksburg .....	1	103	1	33	309	170	170	8	....	348
Falls Church....	3	140	2	25	178	67	155	9	102	333
Leesburg.....	1	21	2	23	150	132	179	.....	.....	311
Loudoun.....	4	100	7	60	464	120	40	12	5	177
Middleburg ....	1	4	3	16	120	50	10	10	.....	70
Hillsboro. ....	..	....	6	50	369	133	36	13	50	232
Hamilton .....	1	90	3	50	230	75	98	7	50	230
Marshall. ....	3	125	7	63	349	60	25	.....	6	91
Warrenton . ....	1	50	2	19	121	63	90	4	16	173
Fairfax .....	....	..	10	65	450	250	180	16	250	696
Sterling .....	2	40	8	88	460	92	20	6	30	148
Occoquan .....	2	125	4	28	265	75	65	7	75	222
Fauquier.....	....	..	4	29	193	27	26	8	10	71
Sudley .....	....	....	3	18	127	39	10	8	.....	57
Manassas ,.....	1	30	4	32	208	98	9	12	.....	119
Stafford .....	....	....	5	49	285	33	9	6	8	56
Morrisville.....	2	60	6	44	334	80	6	4	.....	90
Total .....	28	1336	84	844	5930	2331	2475	153	868	5817

## WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

Winchester .....	1	98	1	40	410	97	160	.....	825	1082
Frederick.....	.....	4	47	231	30	5	7	23	65	
Stephens' City.....	1	48	5	38	400	75	46	.....	30	121
Middletown.....	2	160	3	46	344	90	185	5	52	332
Strasburg .....	1	80	5	50	325	30	70	3	30	133
Woodstock .....	1	35	1	18	140	58	220	.....	278	
Edenburg .....	2	60	3	39	333	60	50	3	.....	113
Front Royal and Riverton..	2	156	4	51	382	103	61	.....	30	194
Warren.....	.....	3	7	183	30	....	1	23	54	
Linden.....	1	28	5	25	215	37	10	5	.....	52
Page.....	.....	4	36	275	50	4	.....	20	74	
White Post. ....	1	21	8	65	382	108	47	2	.....	157
Berryville.....	.....	3	35	218	107	100	6	5	218	
Brucetown .....	4	226	8	95	687	230	288	11	.....	529
Martinsburg .....	2	165	1	37	334	150	245	4	25	424
Berkeley.....	2	100	2	34	200	50	148	4	.....	202
Charles Town.....	3	180	2	31	292	111	159	5	....	275
Jefferson.....	7	326	4	61	339	140	125	41	5	311
Shepherdstown .....	6	221	4	54	461	90	83	9	105	287
Shenandoah Junction .....	1	25	3	14	130	.....	2	.....	.....	2
Woodstock Mission.....	2	60	2	8	80	.	.....	.....	.....	...
Total.....	39	1989	75	831	6361	1646	2008	106	1173	4933

TABLE No. 3.—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

## ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am't Collected for S. Schools	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Am't Collected for Other Ob- jects.	Total Amount Raised.
Staunton.....	2	220	2	63	540	300	275	9	.....	584
East End & Marquis Mem.	4	95	3	33	232	127	97	3	.	227
Harrisonburg.....	2	115	2	35	365	252	275	5	119	651
Bridgewater.....	3	63	7	83	459	212	69	.....	68	349
Mt. Crawford.....	2	102	3	38	338	54	113	8	18	193
Parnassus.....	.....	.....	4	40	235	55	16	.....	21	92
West Augusta.....	.....	.....	3	25	150	25	2	3	.....	30
Augusta.....	1	20	4	30	335	63	32	.....	.....	100
Waynesboro.....	3	100	3	36	276	58	63	6	45	171
New Hope.....	.....	.....	3	28	215	57	15	.....	.....	72
Rockingham.....	2	75	4	40	262	27	21	.....	.....	48
East Rockingham.....	2	80	2	12	120	15	10	5	.....	30
Elkton.....	1	22	2	15	160	35	38	5	22	100
Port Republic.....	2	70	4	44	319	138	104	.....	15	257
Shenandoah.....	.....	.....	2	16	208	34	8	.....	.....	42
Luray.....	1	35	2	24	140	30	52	4	.....	86
New Market.....	.....	.....	2	22	157	66	13	4	.....	83
Mt Jackson.....	.....	.....	5	19	140	15	10	.....	.....	25
Marksville.....	2	50	1	15	120	25	30	2	.....	57
Fairfield.....	2	65	4	40	315	40	10	3	25	78
Rockbridge Baths.....	.....	.....	2	20	114	7	1	2	.....	10
Bell's Valley.....	.	...	3	15	120	13	5	6	6	30
Total.....	29	1112	67	693	5,320	1,653	1,259	65	339	3,316

## ROANOKE DISTRICT.

Salem.....	1	110	3	40	420	220	105	4	.....	329
Greene Memorial.....	2	200	2	45	570	273	380	12	35	700
Trinity.....	2	107	1	26	206	164	100	5	12	281
St. James.....	2	98	1	27	410	86	.....	.....	330	416
Grace.....	2	125	1	15	200	60	23	3	8	94
Belmont.....	1	115	1	19	125	112	76	3	.....	191
Vinton.....	.....	.....	1	26	200	20	90	3	10	123
Roanoke Circuit.....	.....	.....	4	22	188	40	20	.....	2	62
Bethany.....	.....	.....	2	16	10	20	4	.....	.....	24
Buchanan ..	.....	.....	5	32	250	35	.....	.....	.....	35
Fincastle.....	1	40	5	45	348	25	44	.....	46	115
Glen Wilton.....	1	26	3	30	185	67	26	.....	.....	93
Eagle Rock.....	.....	.....	3	33	259	63	.....	.....	.....	63
Buena Vista.....	1	85	1	16	150	78	17	4	.....	99
Rockbridge.....	1	25	3	24	180	16	....	2	30	48
Lexington.....	.....	.....	1	22	133	65	243	8	59	375
Collierstown.....	.....	.....	4	27	180	8	3	.....	.....	11
Elliston.....	2	50	4	33	259	58	10	2	50	120
Christiansburg.....	.....	.....	2	18	125	110	38	.....	.....	148
Blacksburg.....	1	39	2	26	167	77	81	3	.....	161
Newport.....	.....	.....	3	19	160	50	25	.....	.....	75
New Castle.....	.....	.....	1	13	97	39	31	2	21	93
Catawba.....	.....	.....	5	35	201	26	.....	.....	.....	26
Total.....	17	1020	58	609	5,023	1,712	1,316	51	603	3,682

TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

## LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth L. Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am't Collected for S. Schools.	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Am't Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised.
Lewisburg.....	1	50	2	16	130	40	104	.....	.....	144
Frankford.....	.....	.....	7	43	338	36	14	20	.....	70
Blue Sulphur.....	1	15	4	20	200	20	10	2	10	42
Green Sulphur.....	.....	.....	1	7	80	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Hinton.....	1	40	1	12	200	110	73	.....	.....	183
Talcott.....	.....	.....	4	25	225	35	9	.....	.....	44
Greenville and Peterstown	.....	.....	9	77	527	56	4	9	46	115
Alderson.....	2	60	3	16	140	61	32	5	5	103
Union.....	.....	.....	4	32	220	50	20	.....	15	85
Ronceverte.....	2	60	2	32	190	93	116	.....	68	277
W. Sulphur.....	1	38	1	9	60	26	45	1	.....	72
Alvon.....	.....	.....	4	21	147	15	.....	2	.....	17
Alleghany.....	.....	.....	7	25	280	30	15	.....	.....	45
Covington.....	.....	.....	2	15	200	109	109	.....	60	278
Clifton Forge.....	.....	.....	1	19	150	42	114	.....	108	264
Millboro and Gilletts.....	.....	.....	4	16	200	16	14	2	.....	32
Levelton.....	2	70	5	32	335	40	84	16	.....	140
Huntersville.....	1	21	6	41	236	21	4	.....	.....	25
Greenbank.....	.....	.....	8	49	330	12	.....	.....	.....	12
Hot Springs.....	.....	.....	1	4	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	11	354	76	511	4228	814	767	57	312	1950

## MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

Moorefield.....	1	33	4	39	269	74	40	4	31	149
Petersburg.....	1	39	5	35	190	68	3	2	62	135
Franklin.....	1	50	4	38	215	57	9	12	7	85
Crab Bottom.....	.....	.....	2	19	207	15	.....	7	.....	22
Keyser.....	1	85	1	27	320	121	86	5	.....	212
Cumberland.....	2	45	2	21	182	34	20	3	49	106
Elk Garden.....	.....	.....	4	29	250	68	14	2	13	97
Piedmont.....	2	100	2	20	200	72	92	3	35	202
Frostburg.....	1	90	2	28	234	82	39	4	33	158
Flintstone.....	.....	.....	6	41	179	52	17	1	.....	70
Romney.....	3	75	12	80	475	100	90	25	35	250
Springfield.....	2	62	8	60	340	70	35	7	.....	112
Slanesville.....	.....	.....	7	46	255	20	10	5	25	60
Hardy.....	3	128	8	64	345	18	22	3	64	107
Morgan.....	.....	.....	6	30	345	20	1	1	.....	22
Gainsboro.....	1	25	5	50	337	42	5	2	.....	49
Wardensville.....	2	100	4	30	200	30	.....	.....	25	55
Capon Bridge.....	3	100	5	53	284	30	5	2	.....	37
Listonburg.....	2	60	6	48	250	35	8	.....	12	55
Monterey.....	4	158	4	32	312	69	32	.....	.....	101
McDowell.....	.....	.....	7	67	476	67	52	8	81	208
Total.....	29	1150	104	857	5865	1144	580	96	472	2292

**RECAPITULATION TABLE No. 3—EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.**

NAME OF DISTRICT.	No. of Epworth Leagues.	No. of Epworth League Members.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Am't Collected for Sunday Schools.	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Am't Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised.
Baltimore.....	34	1472	53	602	4868	1809	2091	114	436	4450
East Baltimore....	24	911	60	544	3511	1171	1313	126	213	2823
Washington.....	28	1336	84	844	5930	2331	2475	153	868	5827
Winchester. . . .	39	1989	75	831	6361	1646	2008	106	1173	4933
Rockingham.....	29	1112	67	693	5320	1653	1259	65	339	3316
Roanoke . . . . .	17	1020	58	609	5023	1712	1316	51	603	3682
Lewisburg.....	11	354	76	511	4228	814	767	57	312	1950
Moorefield.....	29	1150	104	857	5865	1144	580	96	472	2292
Total . . . . .	211	9344	577	5491	40906	12280	11809	768	4416	29273
Total last year ..	186	8303	597	5840	41644	10260	10497	597	4661	26015
Increase.....	25	1041	.....	.....	.....	2020	1312	171	.....	3258
Decrease.....	.....	.....	20	349	738	.....	.....	.....	245	.....



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I. The object for which this corporation is sought is to create a corporation to provide, keep, maintain and dispose of a place of divine worship for the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, residing at or in the vicinity of——, in ——county, whose names appear upon the Church Register or other proper record of such members in said vicinity, subject to the discipline, usage and ministerial appointment of said Church as declared by the General Conference of said Church, and the Annual Conference within whose bounds the said premises are situated.

II. A. B., C. D., E. F., and G. H. are hereby elected trustees, and together with the minister for the time being, shall constitute a body politic and corporate, which shall be called "The Board of Trustees of——Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of ——county."

III. Said "The Board of Trustees of —— Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of ——county," and its successors, shall have and exercise all the powers conferred upon such corporations by the laws of the State of Maryland; it shall have perpetual succession by its said name of incorporation, shall elect its own president and fix his term of office, and adopt a corporate seal, and shall be capable to purchase, take and hold to it and its successors in fee or for a less estate any lands, tenements and hereditaments, rents or annuities, goods and chattels within this State by gift, bargain, sale, devise or bequest of any person, body politic or corporate capable of making the same, and to use or lease, mortgage or sell and convey the same in such manner as it may judge most conducive to the interests of said corporation.

The said——trustees hereby elected shall be responsible to the Quarterly Conference of the circuit or station of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, within whose bounds the property of said corporation may be situate, and the said Quarterly Conference shall have the power to dismiss any of them from office; provided that no person who is a trustee shall be ejected while he is joint security for money for or on account of said corporation or its property, unless such relief is given him as is demanded, or the creditor will accept.

IV. If any trustee shall remove from the State, his office shall thereupon become vacant.

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Signed and sealed this — day of —, 19—, by the aforesaid minister and trustees.

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[Seal]

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Mercer, Francis A. (Sd.)...	E	North Stricker street, Baltimore.
Michael, I. G.....	E	Linden, Va.
Miller, William E.....	E	Asbury, Md.
Miller, T. J.....	E	Front Royal, Va.
Millican, Charles K.....	E	Dunkirk, Md.
Mitchell, John W.....	E	Church Hill, Md.
Moore, Charles W.....	E	Hillsboro, Md.
Murrill, Howard A..	D	Petersburg, W. Va.
Myerly, Harry L.....	E	Buchanan, Va.
Neel, Allen A. P. (Sy.)...	E	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Nevitt, Thomas G.....	E	La Plata, Md.
Parker, Samuel A. ....	E	Romney, W. Va.
Parrott, B. Lee.....	E	Marksville, Va.
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Prettyman, Forrest J.....	E	Staunton, Va.
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Ringer, Josiah J.....	E	Parnassus, Va.
Roane, Hamilton M. ....	E	Woodwardville, Md.
Ross, William O.....	E	Glasgow, Va.
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Shipley, J. Lester. ....	E	207 4th ave. N. E., Roanoke, Va.
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Sites, William A.....	E	Morrisville, Va.
Sites, Alfred B.. ....	E	Waldorf, Md.
Sixear, P. S. E. (Sd.).....	E	New Castle, Va.
Smith, J. Harry.....	E	Port Republic, Va.
Smith, Robert (Sd.)....	E	Manassas, Va.
Smith, William Lee.. ....	E	Laurel, Md.
Smith, W. C. (Sup.) .....	E	Crabbottom, Va.
Smithson, Rumsey.....	E	Roanoke, Va.
Stanton, Charles S.....	E	Clifton Forge, Va.
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Stephens, H. I. ....	E	220 8th st. S. W., Washington, D. C.
Stevens, William.. ....	E	1502 Hollins street, Baltimore.
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Strother, Frank A.....	E	Charles Town, W. Va.
Stump, James P... ..	E	Fredericksburg, Va.
Sutton, Charles B. ....	E	Middleburg, Va.
Switzer, B. V. ....	D	Frederick City, Md.
Sydenstricker, Christopher	E	Upperville, Va.
Tackett, John O. (Sd.)....	E	Remington, Va.
Thrasher, John C.. ....	E	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Tillery, J. R.....	E	Monterey, Va.
Townsend, Sylvanus (Sd.)	E	Cayots, Cecil county, Md.
Tyler, Frank A.....	D	Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.
Tyler, George T.....	E	Falls Church, Va.
Valliant, Joseph F.....	P	Mechanicsville, Md.
Vanhorne, James R.....	E	Hinton, W. Va.
Waters, William M. ....	E	Reistertown, Md.
Watts, Walter W.....	E	Elliston, Va.
Waugh, J. Hoffman (Sd.)..	E	Harrisonburg, Va.
Weikle, M. Preston.. ....	D	McDowell, Va.
Weller, Addison .....	E	Linganore, Md.
Wells, J. Howard.....	E	Warrenton, Va.
Wheat, Quincy A. (Sd.)..	E	Port Republic, Va.
Wheeler, Rufus M. ....	E	Strasburg, Va.
Whisner, Peter H.....	E	705 W. Chestnut street, Louisville, Ky.
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Whitesell, William J. ....	E	Academy, W. Va.
Wilhite, John H.....	E	Elkton, Va.
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Wilson, Rufus H.. ....	E	New Market, Va.
Wilson, J. Edgar .....	E	Chesterville, Md.

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Woolf, W. Eggleston.....	E	Hyattsville, Md.
Woolf, William H.....	E	Hamilton, Va.
York, James M.....	E	White Sulphur, W. Va.

*Elders*—Superannuated, 31 ; Supernumerary, 2 ; Effective, 163. *Deacons*, Effective, 15. *Probationers*, 10. Total, 211.

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E—Elder.

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Hammond, O. W. ....	E.	1418 Harlem ave, Baltimore, Md.
Norwood, Wm. ....	P.	Mt. Airy, Md.
Orrick, F. D. ....	D.	Glyndon, Md.
Smith, L. L. ....	P.	Hyattsville, Md.
Smith, J. W. ..	P.	Hyattsville, Md.
Walker, E. W. ..	P.	Gaithersburg, Md.

#### EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

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Breeden, W. I. ....	E.	Lusby, Md.
Bunting, H. C. ....	D.	Havre de Grace, Md.
Christopher, I. ....	D.	Newton, Md.
Frampton, R. B. ....	D.	Royal Oak, Md.
Harris, S. O. ....	E.	Royal Oak, Md.
Highly, B. S. ....	E.	Trappe, Md.
Hill, Charles E. ....	E.	831 N. Fremont ave., Baltimore, Md.
Kolbe, Henry J. ....	L.	Hardesty, Md.
Parsons, E. ....	L.	1406 Argyle ave., Baltimore, Md.
Perrie, J. B. ....	L.	Westwood, Prince George Co., Md.
Prettryman, E. E. ....	D.	State Normal School, Baltimore, Md.
Sherlock, William C. ....	D.	341 Bloom street, Baltimore, Md.
Stoneburner, R. E. L. ....	L.	Jarrettsville, Md.
Taylor, Z. ....	L.	Bristol, Md.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Calvert, C. C.....	D.	Upperville, Va.
Davis H. A.....	L.	Washington, D. C.
Gaither, G. W.....	L.	Drainsville, Va.
Janney, J. M.....	L.	Occoquan, Va.
Miller, John.....	E.	Washington, D. C.
Overholt, E. E.....	D.	Washington, D. C.
Poulton, J. F.....	E.	Warrenton, Va.
Reed, D. H.....	L.	Washington, D. C.
Shreeve, A. L.....	D.	Sterling, Va.
Stier, F. A.....	D.	Washington, D. C.
Sweet, E. M.....	E.	Washington, D. C.
Tate, Joseph.....	L.	Morrisville, Va.
Thonssen, W. J. R.....	D.	Washington, D. C.
Whitmer, William.....	D.	Bealeton, Va.
Williams, George H.....	E.	Anandale, Va.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

Harris, David.....	E.	Middletown, Va.
Moore, George.....	D.	Woodstock, Va.
Reeves, John W.....	D.	Front Royal, Va.
Rudasill, Lewis S.....	L.	Shenandoah Junction, W. Va.
Smith, Almon W.....	D.	Martinsburg, W. Va.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

Fielding, G. Herbert .....	L.	Ashland, Va.
Hensley, Stephen.....	D.	Elkton, Va.
Hite, Robert S.....	E.	Fairfield, Va.
Hooke, Harvey S.....	D.	Harrisonburg, Va.
Jollett, John W.....	D.	Shenandoah, Va.
Kline, John W.....	L.	Ashland, Va.
White, Bernard B. ....	E.	Marksville, Va.
Whitmore, Benj. F.....	L.	Staunton, Va.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

Brumbaugh, James A.....	E.	Roanoke, Va.
Fishburne, Tipton T.....	L.	Roanoke, Va.
Gardner, Geo. W.....	E.	McDonalds Mill, Va.
Hutton, Robert E.....	D.	Lexington, Va.
Keith, C.....	D.	Amsterdam, Va.
Marks, E. F.....	E.	Amsterdam, Va.
Nalls, Logan M.....	L.	Amsterdam, Va.
Stras, Joseph.....	D.	Roanoke, Va.
Surface, F. D. ....	E.	Blacksburg, Va.
Surface, J. F.....	E.	Amsterdam, Va.
Tolbert, W. O.....	E.	Roanoke, W. Va.
Wood, Davis M.....	D.	Glen Witton, Va.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

Anderson, Walter S .....	D.	Alderson, W. Va.
Fitzgerald, John H. ....	L.	Frankford, W. Va.
Hogsett, Thomas W.....	L.	Mill Point, W. Va.
Lawson, Henry.....	D.	Lewisburg, W. Va.
McClintic, Clifton F.....	L.	Williamsburg, W. Va.

Richardson, Charles.....E.	Cowardin, Va.
Richardson, Frank M.....L.	Salem, Va.
Ryder, S. S .....E.	Mountain Grove, Va.
Shires, Letcher.....L.	Ashland, Va.
Wheeler, V. W .....L.	Clifton Forge, Va.

## MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

Anderson, S. W.....L.	High View, W. Va.
Cross, Noah.....D.	Great Capon, W. Va.
Delaplane, Christopher. . . .L.	Ruckman, W. Va.
Homan, Henry .....D.	Ridgeville, W. Va.
Luttrell, James L. ....D.	Romney, W. Va.
Powers, Eli.....L.	Medley, W. Va.
Shawen, D. W.....D.	Romney, W. Va.
Stump, Charles W....D.	Slanesville, W. Va.
Varner, Washington.....D.	Lost River, W. Va.
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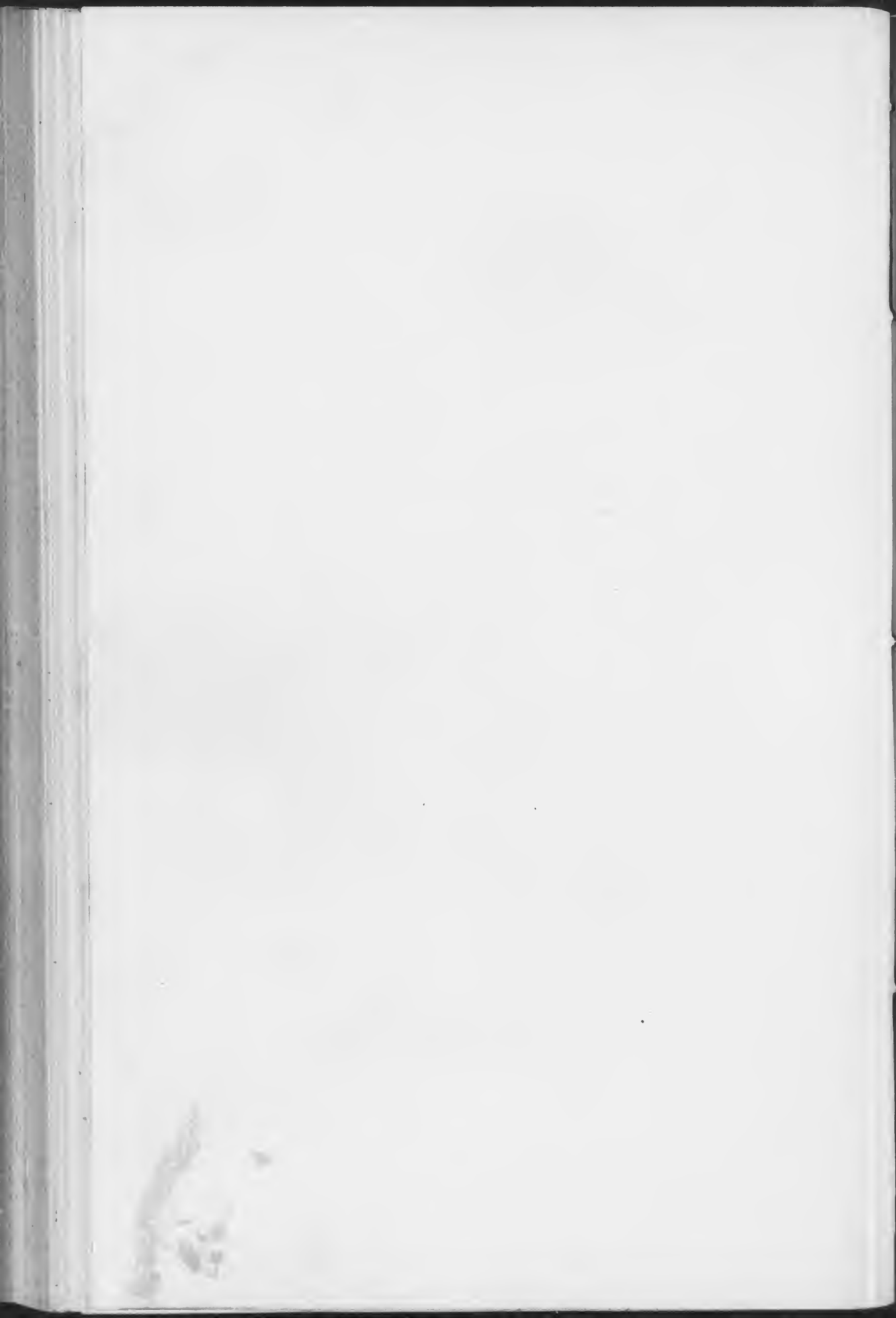
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*And to the Leaguers of Rockingham District, with the hope that each one of them will carefully study and fully digest the thoughts and facts presented herein to the end that a fuller knowledge of their condition, strength, needs and prospects may incite them to renewed efforts, that an advance may be made all along the line in their effort to take the world for Christ.*

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COMMITTEE.

## Places of Meeting.

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| DATE.          | PLACE.        | P. C.             | P. E.                |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Aug. 19, 1880. | Edinburg,     | H. C. Maloy,      | J. S Martin.         |
| Aug. 23, 1881. | Bridgewater,  | David Bush,       | do                   |
| Aug. 29, 1882. | Edinburg,     | J. R. VanHorn,    | do                   |
| Sept. 4, 1883. | Luray,        | A. Weller,        | J. C. Dice.          |
| Sept. 2, 1884. | New Market,   | R. M. Williams,   | do                   |
| Sept. 2, 1885. | Greenville,   | G. T. D. Collins, | do                   |
| Sept. 1, 1886. | Parnassus,    | R. S. Cunningham, | do                   |
| Sept. 3, 1887. | Mt. Jackson,  | J. S. Hopkins,    | J. H. Waugh, D.D.    |
| Sept. 4, 1888. | Waynesboro,   | J. F. Baggs,      | do                   |
| Sept. 3, 1889. | Broadway,     | H. D. Bishop,     | do                   |
| Sept. 2, 1890. | Monterey,     | R. S. Cunningham, | do                   |
| Sept. 1, 1891. | New Hope,     | Thos Briley,      | J. S. Gardner, D.D.  |
| Aug. 30, 1892. | Waynesboro,   | J. C. Thrasher,   | do                   |
| Aug. 22, 1893. | Shenandoah,   | L. Butt,          | do                   |
| Aug. 14, 1894. | Mt. Crawford, | L. R. Jones,      | do                   |
| Aug. 27, 1895. | Luray,        | L. R. Jones,      | P. H. Whisner, D. D. |
| Aug. 25, 1896. | Elkton,       | W. B. Dorsey,     | do                   |
| Aug. 3, 1897,  | New Market,   | R. M. Wheeler,    | do                   |
| Aug. 2, 1898,  | Bridgewater,  | W. L. Dolly,      | Jas. E. Armstrong.   |
| Aug. 7, 1899,  | Mt. Sidney,   | J. J. Ringer,     | do                   |
| July 30, 1900. | Marksville.   | B. Lee Parrott,   | do                   |

## Roll of Delegates.



REV. JAS. E. ARMSTRONG, P. E., [Staunton.

Those marked (\*) Recording Stewards.

Those marked (†) absent.

### Staunton—

Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, P. C., Staunton.  
Rev. John T. Maxwell, † “  
Rev. Peter H. Whisner, D. D. † Louisville, Ky.  
Edward B. Lipscomb, \* † Staunton.  
R. L. Stratton, “  
Wm. R. Knowles, † “  
J. A. Fauver, † “  
Samuel A. Gibbs, “

### East End and Marquis Memorial—

Rev. Peter W. Jeffries, P. C., Bodley.  
Rev. Benj. F. Whitmore, †  
Reeves Catt, \* Bodley,  
A. Lee Knowles, † Staunton.  
Sam'l J. Strickler, “  
James W. Bodley, † “

### Harrisonburg—

Rev. J. R. Andrew, P. C., Harrisonburg.  
Rev. J. H. Waugh, D. D., † “ Died Aug. 1900.  
Rev. S. K. Cox, D. D., † “  
Rev. Henry D. Bishop, † “  
Rev. Jas. W. Kight, † “  
Ed. S. Conrad, \* † “  
Jas. P. Houck, † “  
D. H. Lee Martz, “  
Wilmot E. Lemley, “

**Bridgewater—**

Rev. John C. Hawk, P. C., † Bridgewater.  
Rev. John M. Kline, Ashland.  
John W. Hopewell, \* † Mt. Solon.  
Wm. J. Arey, † Bridgewater.  
Hugh C. Hanna, † Mt. Solon.  
Walter L. Kiracofe, † Bridgewater.

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Rev. R. L. Fultz, P. C., Mt. Crawford.  
I. B. Kagey, \* Weyer's Cave.  
Charles B. Kayser, Mt. Crawford.  
Wm. E. Shinnick, " "  
T. T. Keagey.

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John S. Richey, \* Ft. Defiance.  
Simon P. McKee, Mt. Sidney.  
Thomas McClune, † Long Glade.  
E. O. Shumake, Mt. Sidney.

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Warren T. Roberts, \* † " "  
Fielding Whitmore, † " "  
Wm. L. Gordon, †  
R. H. Keller, † Churchville.

**Augusta—**

Rev. John H. Dills, P. C., Greenville.  
Rev. G. H. Fielding, Fishersville.  
John H. Clark, \* † Greenville.  
Charles W. Fitch, "  
G. W. C. Karnes, † Fishersville.  
Jacob L. Wise.

**Waynesboro—**

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James B. Roden, \* † "  
Isaiah Funkhouser, "  
Dr. R. S. Griffith, Basic City.  
John W. Dalhouse, Waynsboro. †

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H. G. Barnhart, \* “  
W. R. Talley, Crimora Station.  
W. W. Tutwiler, † New Hope.  
John C. Scott, † “

**Rochingham—**

Rev. Thomas Gooper, P. C., Keezletown.  
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S. E. Hinton, † Taylor Springs.  
H. H. Harrison, † Melrose.  
Charles Armentrout, “

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Wm. E. Hawkins, † “  
Charles P. Harner, † Antelope.  
Dr. Leyton B. Yancey, † McGaheysville.

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Rev. Stephen Hensley, † “  
J. H. Shipp, \* † “  
James T. Heard, † “  
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Rev. John W. Jollett, “  
Charles L. Stevens, \* † “  
Isaac Higgs, † Jollett's.  
M. A. Roudabush, † Grove Hill.  
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Samuel A. Walton, \* “  
T. E. Swartz, † “  
F. W. Grove, † “  
Vernon H. Ford, “

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J. W. Newman, \* † “  
Wm. A. Harner, “  
F. E. Rice, Jr., “  
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R. T. Will, \* † Mt. Clifton.  
Nich. W. Bocker, Quicksburg.  
J. E. L. Cooper, † Mt. Jackson.  
A. L. Hammond, † Mt. Clifton.

**Marksville—**

Rev. B. Lee Parrott, P. C., Marksville.  
Rev. B. B. White, “  
Herbert Coffman, \* “  
Herbert L. Koontz, “  
Wm. A. Brubaker,  
John W. Keyser.

**Fairfield—**

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Rev. Robert S. Hite, “  
Joseph Fultz, \* † “  
William S. Humphries, † Vesuvius.  
James A. Wilson, Fairfield.  
Albert E. Fultz, † Raphine.

**Goshen—**

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R. L. Robertson, \* † Craigsville.  
James J. Brown, † Bell's Valley.  
John F. Alleu, † Goshen.  
James P. Hyman, † Rockbridge Baths.

## Rev. John Satchell Martin, D. D.

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The ministry of Dr. Martin was unbroken for fifty-three years.

Until his fatal illness, occasioned by a carbuncle, his activity was unabated.

He was born in Alexandria, September 7th, 1815, and died in Baltimore, July 8th, 1888.

His father, Thomas Littleton Martin, was from Northampton County, Virginia, and of Scottish lineage.

Dr. Martin preferred the ministry of the Lord Jesus, to that which he could have claimed from his succession.

His mother, was of Huguenot descent, the daughter of Robert Lauphrier. Her parents were among the earliest Methodists in Virginia. Herself a Methodist for 80 years, she outlived her noble son, but was in every respect worthy of him.

Dr Martin's education at the famous school of Benj. Hallowell, was supplemented by years of assiduous study, helped by a remarkable memory. He was known as "*a living encyclopædia.*"

Converted at sixteen, he was licensed to preach when nineteen, and admitted into the Conference in 1835. He was Pastor of Staunton Station in 1837, and from 1875 to 1879, and Presiding Elder of this District in 1874, and from 1879 to 1882. His Lexington Circuit in 1835-6, and Boteourt Circuit, of 28 appointments, in 1838, occupied much of the territory of Rockingham District. This was also true of the Winchester and Front Royal Circuits, which he served in 1842 and 1843, and possibly of Lewisburg Circuit, in 1841.

During the Civil War he was Presiding Elder of Lexington District, which occupied much of this territory. He was at the same time Pastor of Lexington, and of ten other charges in half as many counties.

His ministry elsewhere was not less successful—in Baltimore, Md.; Lewiston, Pa., and in many portions of Virginia.

He was Presiding Elder twenty-one years, and eight times a member of General Conference, of which he was in 1884 elected Secretary. He was Secretary of the Baltimore Conference thirty-five years, and was known North and South, as "the prince of secretaries," and because of this was made Secretary of the great Methodist Centenary, in 1884.

At the memorable Conference at Staunton, in 1861, at the command of his brethren, he put the vote which made the Conference independent, and in 1866, at Alexandria, it was around him his brethren rallied as they passed into the Southern Church.

In 1861, in behalf of the minority of the old Conference, the Courts of Maryland, the police of Baltimore and the United States military, tried to wrest from him the historic records of this, the oldest Conference. His worthy successor as Secretary, our present Presiding Elder, has them now in his charge.

Dr. Martin was strong and elastic in body, with a clarion voice extraordinary in power, beauty, and endurance; he was not less vigorous in mind;—but his Spiritual life dominated these;—what wonder that he excelled as a preacher, that he was both a sower of seed and a reaper of sheaves, that he was a leader of men, an organizer of bodies,—a "Prince in Israel."

His body rests in Loudoun Park, Baltimore.



**Rev. John Satchell Martin, D. D.**



## Proceedings of the Conference.

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The District Conference of the Rockingham District, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in its 33rd Session at Marksville, July 30th, 1900.

Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, P. E., in the Chair.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. R. L. Fultz from text found in John 8:31, in place of Rev. J. M. Hawley, who was unavoidably detained.

After the sermon the organization was entered into. The Secretary of last District Conference called roll and twenty-six responded.

Nominations for Secretary were called for and J. Harry Smith was elected.

After the announcement of Committees by Presiding Elder, the Conference adjourned with singing of Doxology, and Benediction, to meet Tuesday at 9 o'clock A. M.

### TUESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met at 9 o'clock, with the Presiding Elder in the chair. Religious services were conducted by Rev. L. R. Jones.

Roll was then called and 46 members responded.

Following names of alternates were substituted for principals. See roll.

Committees were read as follows :

Spiritual State of the Church—Rev. J. R. Andrew, W. H. G. Bowers, D. H. L. Martz.

Missions—Rev. H. S. Coe, I. B. Kagey, J. S. Richey.

Sunday Schools—Rev. R. L. Fultz, Reeves Catt, J. A. Wilson.

Education—Rev. L. R. Jones, Rev. F. J. Prettyman, D. H. Lee Martz.

Bible Cause—Rev. J. W. Canter, S. A. Gibbs, S. P. McKee.

Finance—Rev. P. W. Jeffries, J. P. Houck, R. L. Stratton.

Epworth Leagues—Rev. F. J. Prettyman, J. T. Heard, J. J. Ringer.

Quarterly Conference Records—Thomas Cooper, L. R. Markwood, John Keyser.

Bar of Conference was fixed at the chimneys.

Hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed as follows:

Morning Session at 9 o'clock; to adjourn for preaching at 11. Afternoon Session at 2:30; to adjourn on motion. Preaching at night at 8 o'clock.

Report of Committee on Publishing District Conference Minutes was submitted and read, and on motion, adopted.

Moved by H. G. Barnhart to submit the report to an auditing committee to be appointed by the Chair. Carried. I. B. Kagey, Reeves Catt and J. W. Canter were appointed.

Moved by H. G. Barnhart that claim against Mrs. N. R. Beard, for one page advertisement in Conference Minutes, be withdrawn. Carried.

It was moved that a recess be taken for fifteen minutes to allow the committees to organize.

License of following Local Preachers were renewed:—B. F. Whitmore, G. H. Fielding, Jno. M. Kline and Jos. W. Kight.

Report of Committee on Spiritual State of the Church, was submitted and read, and on motion, was adopted.

Report on Bible Cause, was submitted and read, and on motion, adopted.

Business was suspended for preaching. Sermon was preached by Rev. L. R. Markwood, from text found in Phil. 3:12.



## TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:30, with the Presiding Elder in the chair. Religious services conducted by Rev. John M. Kline.

Roll was called and 47 responded.

Minutes of morning session were read and approved.

Report on Sunday Schools was submitted and read. The Presiding Elder emphasized the importance of the Sunday School work; and referred to the late Sunday School Convention held in Staunton. Also called the attention of the Conference to "Decision Day" in the Sunday School, when the boys and girls, who had reached the years of accountability, might be given an opportunity to decide for Christ.

Rev. J. M. Hawley spoke of the Sunday School Convention as being the best in his experience, and emphasized, by citing many examples, the value of child conversion.

Bro. Reeves Catt, along the same line, spoke of an incident in his own life, when numbers of Sunday School children were led to Christ.

Bro. C. W. Fitch, spoke of the value of the Convention to him.

Rev. L. R. Markwood, spoke on early conversion.

Rev. Thomas Cooper emphasized the thought received at the Convention—"The open Bible in the hands of a live teacher."

Bro. H. G. Barnhart, spoke on his impressions as received at the Convention. Little boy asked by the Sunday School teacher if he believed in Jesus, and replied, I believe in you.

Rev. F. J. Prettyman, spoke on the Holston Plan and compared it with the plan of the Baltimore Conference.

Bros. Fultz and Andrew, spoke on educating the children along Missionary lines.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved by Bro. Cooper, that election of Delegates to Annual Conference, be made order of day, Wednesday afternoon immediately after reading of Minutes. Seconded; carried.

Report of Committee on Finance was submitted and read

Bro. Reeves Catt spoke on the value of *system* in raising the Church finances.

Rev. J. M. Hawley also spoke on value of system in raising finances, and gave an illustration from his own experience.

Bro. I. B. Kagey spoke of the necessity of pastors in using more care in the selection of their stewards.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Epworth League was submitted and read.

Bro. Andrew spoke on the value of the Epworth League as the place in which to grow our Church workers.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The following resolution was submitted, read and adopted:

Whereas, it is reported in one of our charges, the official board is doing nothing toward pastoral support,

Resolved. That as a District Conference we most positively disapprove of and condemn such course as being unscriptural and destructive of our Methodist economy, as well as a violation of most solemn vows to God, and robbing Him of what is rightfully His own.

H. H. SHERMAN,  
H. S. COE,  
J. H. DILLS,  
R. L. FULTZ,  
J. R. ANDREW,  
J. M. HAWLEY.

Report No. 1 on Education was submitted and read, and on motion, was laid on the table until Wednesday morning, when No. 2. will be submitted.

Committee on Examination of Candidates for admission into the Annual Conference, reported George H. Fielding as having been before the Committee and passed an approved examination, and on ballot, was unanimously elected.—44 ballots cast.

Motion to adjourn, made by Bro. Cooper. Seconded and carried.

Adjourned by singing of Doxology and by the Benediction.

Rev. John H. Wilhite preached at night from the text found in Isaiah 12 : 2.

Collection for current expenses and for sexton was taken, and \$4.75 was raised.

### WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference met at 9 o'clock. Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, Presiding Elder in the chair.

Religious services\* were conducted by Rev. J. H. Dills.

Minutes of preceding session were read and approved.

The Rev. T. L. Dalton, of the Baptist Church, was introduced to the Conference and given a seat within the Bar of the Conference.

Place for holding session of District Conference for 1901, was voted upon, and Port Republic and New Market were put in nomination. Port Republic was unanimously selected.

Moved by Bro. J. S. Richey and seconded by Bro. S. P. McKee, that the Secretary be appointed a committee of one, to communicate with the Norfolk & Western Railroad Company, looking to the securing of reduced rates to the District Conference of next year. Seconded and carried.

Report on Missions was submitted and read, and on motion, adopted.

Report No. 2 on Education was submitted and read.

Rev. F. J. Prettyman spoke on the report.

Prof. Chas. L. Melton, Principal of Randolph Macon Academy at Front Royal, was introduced and addressed the Conference on the work of the School, and also on the general work of the Colleges and Academies.

On motion, the report on Education was adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee on District Conference Minutes was submitted and read, and after remarks by Bro. Reeves Catt, on motion, was adopted.

Bro. J. S. Richey moved the reappointment of the same Committee for 1901. Seconded and carried.

Report of the Parsonage and Home Mission Society was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. Thomas Cooper, and read, and on motion, adopted.

Conference adjourned for preaching. The sermon was delivered by Rev. J. R. Andrew from the subject: Covetousness. After which, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference convened at 2:30. Presiding Elder in the chair.

Religious services conducted by Rev. H. H. Sherman.

Minutes of preceding meeting were read and approved.

The order of the day was taken up and the election of Delegates to Annual Conference entered upon with the following result. A motion was here offered.

Moved that Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot for Wm. Dean, R. L. Stratton, F. W. Weaver and W. R. Talley. The Chair decided that the motion was contrary to law and the election of Delegates was entered upon according to the Discipline. 34 votes cast—necessary to a choice 18—following were elected:

F. W. Weaver, 28; Wm. Dean, 26; R. L. Stratton, 24; W. R. Talley, 24.

It was the pleasure of the Conference to elect 4 Alternates. It was moved that the 4 receiving highest number of ballots be declared elected. Motion prevailed.

Following were elected Alternates :

J. W. Newman, 29; J. B. Roden, 26; C. W. Fitch, 23. Reeves Catt, 22.

Report of Committee on District Conference Records, was submitted and read, and on motion, was adopted.

Motion by Dr. R. S. Griffith, made as follows :

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder, immediately after next Annual Conference, be requested to appoint a committee of three, two of whom shall be laymen, to be known as the Temperance Committee; said committee to report at our next District Conference, as to the best means of teaching and practicing temperance, especially among our young people.

Moved by Bro. Reeves Catt, that same method be adopted this year for printing Conference Minutes as was adopted last year. Seconded, and on motion, adopted.

Moved by Bro. J. S. Richey, that the placing of "cuts" in the Minutes be left to the discretion of the Committee. Seconded and carried.

Greetings were read from Rev. E. W. Brubaker, as follows:

To the Brethren of the Rockingham District Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, now assembled at Marksville, Va.—Greeting :

DEAR BRETHREN:—

I am truly sorry that it is not my pleasure to be with you this year, more especially because of the fact that you come together in my own *home* Church.

May God bless you and direct you in your deliberations, and make you to be a blessing to the Church and community.

Fraternally yours,

E. W. BRUBAKER.

Flintstone, Md., July 30, 1900.

Moved, that Secretary be requested to make suitable reply. Carried.

Resolution of thanks to the Pastor and good people of Marksville and Stanley, was read and adopted by rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this District Conference are hereby tendered to the Pastor of the Church and to the citizens of Marksville and vicinity, for the cordial Christian hospitality which has been so generously extended to us during this most enjoyable session, and that we assure them that we will return to our homes with the most affectionate regards for them as a people and with pleasant recollections of our happy and profitable stay in their midst.

F. J. PRETTYMAN,  
W. R. TALLEY,  
J. J. RINGER,  
J. R. ANDREW,  
H. H. SHERMAN.

Motion to adjourn was made—seconded and carried.

Adjourned with benediction by Presiding Elder.

# Reports.

## On Publishing Minutes.

Your Committee on publishing Minutes of Rockingham District Conference and District Epworth League Conference, for the year 1899, submit the following report:

For each Dollar subscribed we sent thirty-three copies of the minutes.

### EXPENDITURES:

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| To Stoneburner & Prufer for printing<br>1,500 copies of Minutes, 61 pages<br>and 3 cuts=64 pages, | \$64 00 |                     |
| Extra paper for cuts \$4.00; Postage on<br>cuts and envelopes 32 cents,                           | 4 32    |                     |
| Express on packages of Minutes, \$4 07;<br>wrapping paper and cord, 30 cents,                     | 4 37    | \$72 69             |
| To cuts of Drs. Waugh and Gardner,<br>\$3 35,                                                     |         | 3 35                |
| To postage paid by Rev. J. H. Smith,<br>50c.; balance due on Minutes of<br>1898, 46c.,            |         | 96                  |
| To 55 letters, \$1.65; 89 postals, 89c.;<br>47 copies of Minutes to adver-<br>tisers, &c , 94c.,  |         | 3 48                |
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### RECEIPTS.

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| By cash from Revs. Prettyman, Andrew, Dolly<br>and Coe, each, \$2.00,                                                                                            | \$ 8 00 |
| By cash from Revs. Jeffries, Fultz, Ringer, Canter,<br>Whitesell, Cooper, Jones, Hawk, Smith,<br>Henderson, Wheeler, Marsh, McNeer and<br>Parrott, each, \$1.00, | 14 00   |
| By cash from Revs. Martin, \$1.50, Sherman, 50c ;<br>Bros. I. B. Kagey, \$1.00, and G. W. C.<br>Karnes, \$1.00,                                                  | 4 00    |

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| By cash from League subscriptions,                                                                                       | 15 50 |
| By cash from advertisers—for 10 quarter-pages,<br>\$20 00; 6 half-pages. 18 00; 1 page, \$5 00;<br>1 cover page. \$7 00, | 50 00 |

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| Balance in hand in cash,                                       | \$10 02 |
| Balance due from Mrs N R Beard, for<br>half-page advertisement | 5 00    |

Mt. Jackson and Goshen did not subscribe for, or receive any copies of the Minutes

Respectfully submitted,

H G BARNHART,  
J R. ANDREW.

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### **On the Spiritual Condition of the Church.**

The Committee on the Spiritual Condition of the Church, have received reports from all the charges in the District, and beg to *present a brief synopsis of the same.*

*Staunton*—If we are to judge from the general standard of the religious life in the church to-day, the congregation at this place will bear inspection. They attend the services on Sunday fairly well, receive the Sacrament, and support the church with their means. The prayer-meeting, however, is poorly attended; the attractions which the world offers, being by many, preferred to the social means of grace. A few seem to be really "hungering and thirsting after righteousness," while the great mass, unfortunately, are content to have a name to live while they are dead.

*East End, Marquis Memorial, and Hammond Chapel*—When we consider our work here, "we thank God and take courage." Some of the meetings are well attended, especially the week-night prayer meetings. Prayer leaders and Church workers are being "grown" at each place. Their earnestness is very gratifying. This is of great service now, and promises well for the future.

*Waynesboro*—Condition somewhat droopy—a few true—many sleep. Social meetings thinly attended. Eucharist fairly well attended. One infant baptised in a year.



*Parnassus*—The spiritual state of our people is very good. We have no reason to complain of their attendance upon the ordinances and social means of grace.

*New Hope*—Generally speaking the Circuit is in but fair condition. The attendance upon preaching and the prayer-meetings is excellent. The official members do not co-operate with the preacher in charge, and are neglectful of duty. Infant baptism is neglected.

*West Augusta*—Spiritual condition fair, congregations good. Good attendance upon the ordinances—class and prayer-meetings held at some places. Just closed an interesting meeting at Jennings's Gap.

*Augusta*—Spiritual state of the Church fairly good. Attendance upon ordinances and social meetings excellent.

*Fairfield*—Spiritual State of the Church fairly good. Family worship observed by a fair per cent of our families. Attendance upon ordinances and social worship very good. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper very well attended

*Mt. Crawford*—A part of membership is spiritually alive, while some are lukewarm. The attendance upon the preaching of the Word is good. The week night prayer-meetings not very well attended.

*Bridgewater*—The attendance upon the ordinances and social meetings is very good. In a word, the spiritual condition of the work is healthy.

*East Rockingham*—The attendance on the preached word is very good. Week night prayer-meetings not well attended; often not a male member present. The spiritual state of the church is fair.

*Luray*—Attendance upon the ordinances is good, perhaps above the average. Social meetings poorly attended. Spiritual life best shown by their liberality. About \$8,000 paid in and subscribed for church purposes since last District Conference. Our religion reaches our pockets and goes to the bottom in many instances. Progress in all church work.

*Port Republic*—The spiritual state of the church is fair. Attendance upon the ordinances good; on the social meetings rather small. Public preaching well attended, but members do not appear to feel under any obligation to attend prayer services.

*Elkton*—The spiritual state of the church at this place, will, we believe, compare favorably with most other places of which we have any knowledge. The attendance upon public worship is good; there is, however, room for improvement, which we hope to see made.

*Marksville*—If there is any change in the spiritual state of our church, since last report, it is for the better. The church attendance is better than this time last year, though we have many members that are not regular in their attendance, and no remedy seems to suffice.

*New Market*—The spiritual state of the church is encouraging. Attendance upon ordinances and social meetings good at New Market appointment. Upon the whole the outlook is hopeful for the work.

*Mt. Jackson*—There are signs of improvement. The church is not in a satisfactory condition; no revival for a long time. The attendance at public worship is growing, especially at the two country appointments. Congregations orderly and attentive. No social meetings—none here when I came. The church needs building up in membership and spirituality.

*Goshen*—The spiritual state of our people as good as that of the average that I have served elsewhere. The attendance upon preaching is good. We have no social meetings. One Epworth League at Bath.

*Shenandoah*—Spiritual state of the church fairly good; about up to the average.

*Rockingham*—The spiritual state of the church may be considered to be in a medium state; not reaching the highest mark nor sinking to the lowest level. The latitude for improvement is large. The Lord's Supper is attended by most of the members. This ordinance is administered to each congregation quarterly. The prayer-meeting and class-meetings are not well organized.

*Harrisonburg*—Congregations good. The attendance upon the Lord's Supper above the average. Prayer-meeting fairly well attended. Classes meet every Sunday at Station, and Mission attendance not large, but spiritual meetings. Many good, true people, others alas, not much interested either in their own welfare or that of the church.

The above brief reports, indicate a measure of hopefulness and ground of thankfulness as regards most of our work, yet the spiritual condition is by no means what we could desire and the existence of a spirit of formalism and worldliness in many places, as indicated by lax views of the meaning and obligation of our Church vows, the alarming neglect of, and a failure to appreciate, religious privileges and opportunities, calls loudly for deep humiliation and profound heart-searching upon our part, as pastors and Church officials, as to whether or not we have done all that we could and ought, to correct this sad state of affairs and bring our people up to a higher plane of life, and into a richer and fuller experience of the Truth, as it is in Jesus Christ

The reports suggest the need of most earnest, faithful, painstaking and prayerful effort and work along the following lines, viz.:

1. The plain, pointed, loving, *persevering* preaching of the truth, as it is in Christ Jesus. Nothing will so attract, interest and help the Church, and contribute to the salvation of sinners, as "speaking the truth in love." Preaching and living the truth on the part of Pastor and people, will, by God's blessing, result in the sanctification of believers and the salvation of sinners.

2. The due, fearless, but loving administration of discipline, by which we mean—(1st), The employment of every legitimate means to reclaim the erring one and bring the wandering sheep back to God and duty; or (2nd), Failing in this, to purge the Church of all such as disregard their vows and defy pastoral authority and church law. We would respectfully recommend to the Pastors the recent admirable letter of Bishop Morrison upon this subject.

3. The exercise of greater care in the selection of office bearers in the church.

The Discipline requires that the Stewards be men of solid piety, who both know and love the Methodist doctrine and discipline, and of good natural and acquired ability to transact the temporal business of the church. A Board of Stewards can be of invaluable help to a Pastor, in his work, or of unspeakable hinderance to him if they refuse to co-operate with him by prayerfully holding up his hands or loyally discharg-

ing their duties in looking after his temporal welfare Let no man ever be placed in such a responsible and influential position as a compliment to the man The Pastor needs a faithful, sympathetic, loyal Board of Stewards if he expects to achieve the best results in his work

Finally, brethren; let us be of the same mind, let us mind the same things, let us be content with nothing short of being better preachers, better stewards, better people And may the peace of God that passeth understanding keep our hearts and minds through Christ Jesus; and may the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all sin: then indeed shall "the wilderness and the solitary places be glad and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose "

Respectfully,

J. R. ANDREW,  
D. H. LEE MARTZ,  
W. H. G. BOWERS.

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### **On Bible Cause.**

Your Committee begs leave to report what we have received from the various charges on the Rockingham District, for the Bible Cause:

Bro. Harnsberger, from Goshen, says: "Collections for the Bible Society taken. They have an Agent within the bounds of our work, who does some work in selling and distributing Bibles."

Bro. R. L. Jones, from the East Rockingham District, says: "I do not know of any work done by the Bible Society within the bounds of my charge The collection has been taken."

Bro. F. J. Prettyman, of Staunton Station, writes: "No collection has been taken this Conference year for the Bible Cause, but will be taken at the first convenient opportunity."

Harrisonburg makes its annual contribution each year to the American Bible Society, and will not make an exception of this. There has been no special work done by the Society this year. There was a contribution of five dollars to the Bible Society last year. Also a gift of 20 Bibles and 20 Testaments from Society to our Mission Sunday School.

Report from New Hope—Nothing as yet has been done for the Bible Society. Sermons will be preached, and collections will be taken later in the year.

Augusta Circuit—Five dollars has been collected for the Society.

West Augusta — The collection has been taken. It amounts to what we collected last year.

Mt. Jackson—The American Bible Society is doing nothing within the bounds of this charge. The collection for it has not been taken

Waynesboro—American Bible Society has done no work in my bounds that I know of. Collection has not yet been taken.

Mt. Crawford—The American Bible Society distributes no Bibles in this Circuit that I know of. We will take a collection for this cause later.

Bridgewater—The collection for the Bible cause has not yet been taken—will take it just as soon as practicable.

Port Republic—No collection for American Bible Society has been taken yet. It will be attended to in due time.

Luray—So far as I know, no work is being done by this Society within the bounds of my charge. Collection has not been taken, but due attention will be given to it.

New Market—The collection for the American Bible Society has not yet been taken.

Marksville—I report that we have not taken any collection for the American Bible Society for this year, but will do so when convenient. And the Society, to my knowledge, has done nothing here this year.

East End, Marquis Memorial, and Hammond Chapel.—The American Bible Society has been of great service to us in supplying Bibles at a very cheap rate to many of our people. The collections have been taken at two of our churches, and will be at the third in a week or two.

Elkton—I have no knowledge of any work done by the American Bible Society, and have not yet taken collection.

Fairfield—Nothing done here by American Bible Society. Collections will be taken as soon as possible.

Parnassus—Have not taken our collection, but will do so later.

Rockingham—No work done by the American Bible Society, and no special work done for it. The collection has not been taken.

Shenandoah—No collection as yet.

We find from the reports, that where collections are not taken, they will be. Last year \$47.00 were collected and reported in the Minutes of our Conference, for the Bible Cause—one dollar less than the year before. Four charges in our Minutes are blank—Staunton, Parnassus, Luray and Mt. Jackson—all of which contributed, we are sure, to this worthy cause. Augusta Circuit is the banner charge this year, having contributed seven dollars. We hope for a better report this Conference year. The demands for Bibles are great, and especially in the new territory which has been added to our country: and many of the poor would be without the Word of God, but for the American Bible Society.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CANTER.

SAMUEL A. GIBBS.

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### On Sunday School.

Reports have been received from charges of the District, abstracts of which compose a part of this report.

*Port Republic*—Four Sunday Schools conducted in the usual order. Three are organized into Missionary Societies and doing well.

*East Rockingham*—Two Sunday Schools conducted according to the order laid down in the Sunday School Magazine. Some progress in the work. Both schools organized into Missionary Societies with signs of improvement.

*Parnassus*—Three Sunday Schools largely attended and enthusiastically sustained. Conducted after the order of the Church. Two of them have been organized into Missionary Societies with fair success.

*Marksville*—One well organized School using the literature of our Publishing House. It is organized into a Missionary Society and collects a fourth of the Missionary assessment.



*Waynesboro*—Three Sunday Schools conducted *orthodoxically*. Our own literature—Catechisms, &c., &c., used. Two Missionary Societies; one flourishing. Lessons are not studied—recited from the book.

*New Hope*—Three Sunday Schools—two summer annuals, one perennial—all well sustained and doing good work. All are nominal Missionary Societies in which are taken monthly basket collections. Little interest shown in them.

*Goshen*—Four Sunday Schools, all organized into Missionary Societies, and helping materially in raising missionary money, and in offering the children an opportunity to do Christian work.

*Luray*—Two Schools doing good work. Both successful as Missionary Societies. Since going into new church the attendance has doubled, new classes formed, and new hymnals bought.

*Staunton*—Two Sunday Schools thoroughly organized according to the Discipline, and using our own literature. Officers and teachers are, as a rule, faithful and efficient. The Schools raise all the assessment for Foreign Missions and a large part of that for Domestic Missions.

*Harrisonburg*—Two Sunday Schools well officered and ordered. Both have Missionary Societies working successfully.

*Mt. Crawford*—Three Sunday Schools in good condition. One is organized into a Missionary Society, which holds special monthly Missionary meetings and which raised for the cause last year \$102.00. One school gives all its collections to Missions, and the other, as a Summer School, does nothing for the cause. Children's Day has been successfully observed in each school.

*Bridgewater*—The pastor reports six Sunday Schools in good condition, and thinks all but one are organized into Missionary Societies. Our own literature is used.

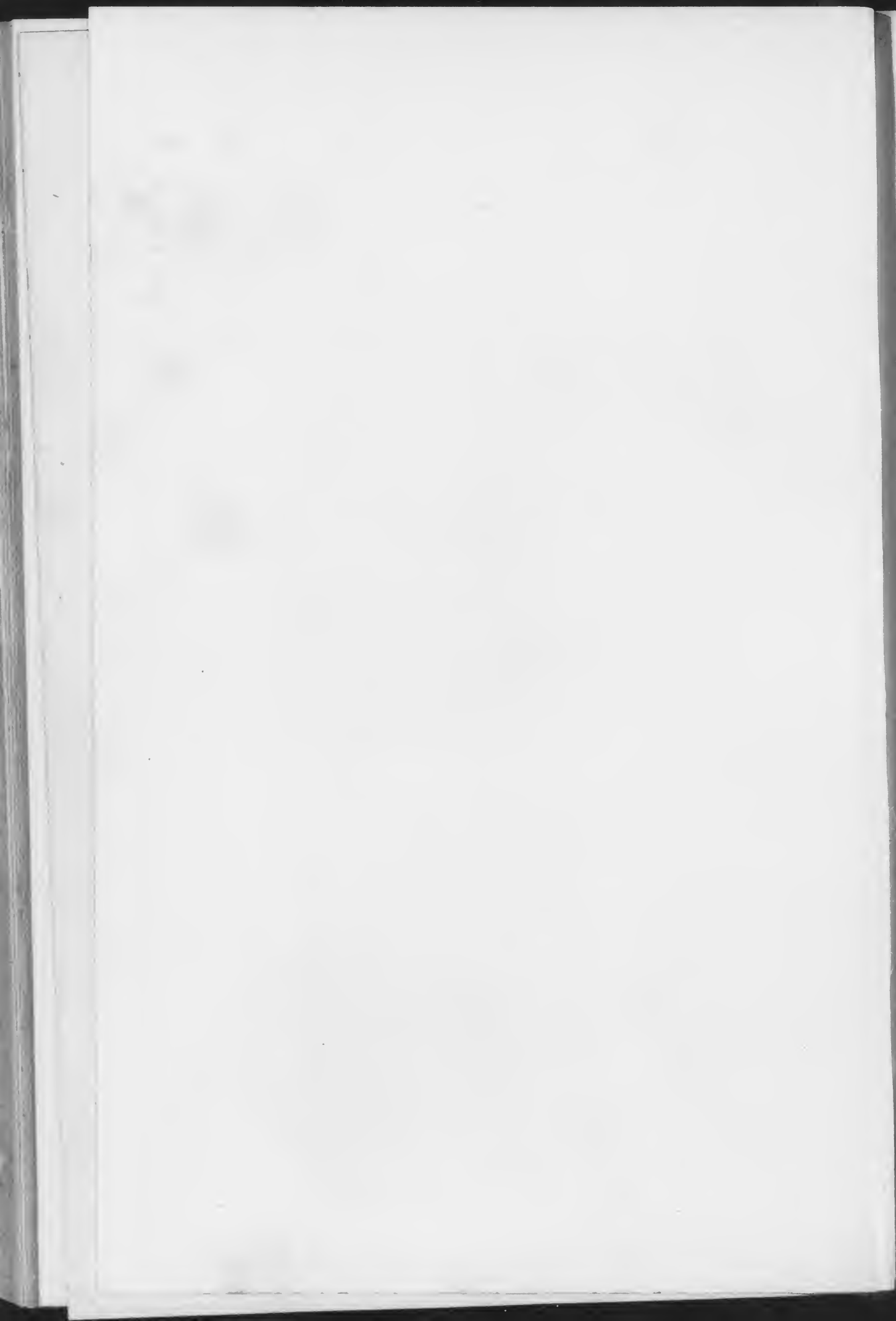
*West Augusta*—Three Sunday Schools with about 150 scholars, including adults and children. Our own literature used. Have tried to organize them into Missionary Societies, but with little financial success, the schools barely meeting current expenses.





REV. WM. G. STARR, D. D.,  
President of Randolph-Macon College :  
was born in Rappahannock County, Va., Sept. 16th,  
1840. His father was Rev. W. H. Starr,  
of the Virginia Conference.

He graduated at Randolph-Macon College with the A. B. degree in 1859. After teaching several years in the South he was elected President of the Wesleyan Female Seminary, Murfreesboro, N. C., in 1873, where he remained five years. From 1878 to 1899 he was in the regular itinerant work. September 1899, he accepted the presidential chair he now holds. With his high intellectual ability, is combined magnetic attractiveness, an elegant diction and extraordinary energy and industry. It may safely be expected that he will make a successful president.



*Augusta*—Five Sunday Schools doing well. All are organized into Missionary Societies with a prospect of raising the entire Missionary assessment.

*Mt. Jackson*—Three Schools; improving. Attendance reasonably good. They have not been organized into Missionary Societies, but have been raising some Missionary money. Children's Day will be observed.

*New Market*—There are two Schools doing well. At one the published plan is used.

*Elkton*—There are two Schools in a flourishing condition. The one at Elkton is organized with a Missionary Society, but with limited success.

*East End, Marquis Memorial and Hammond Chapel*—Three well organized Sunday Schools, with a fair staff of officers and teachers. The three Missionary Societies are doing good work. The faithfulness of a number of the workers is encouraging. Children's Day was observed in each school with success.

*Fairfield*. Four Schools. The pastor hopes to organize them all into Missionary Societies soon.

*Rockingham*—Two Schools conducted according to the plan in the Quarterly. Supplied in part by our own literature. One school is organized into Missionary Society with some success.

*Shenandoah*—There are three Sunday Schools, all doing very good work. One is organized into a Missionary Society.

From the reports of the pastors we learn that there are 59 Sunday Schools, and of these, 41 are Missionary Societies.

Some sound the note of hopefulness and buoyancy, a few strike the minor key, while the large majority tell of persistent and faithful work.

The general impression left on the mind, after reading the pastors' reports is, that in our District, there is an unostentatious work going on among the young people of our congregations that is invaluable to the Church and that shall tell on the character of the scholars in eternity.

Two distinct phases of Sunday School work have been reported on, namely, that which benefits the scholars, and that which benefits others through the scholars.

The first of these has reference to the giving of the scholars clear instruction in the Bible—not simply, however, to give them intelligent conception of Bible truths, but above all to bring them to know Him who is “Truth.” We cannot afford—we simply must be content—to instruct the mind, we must teach the heart. To this end may the Spirit of Truth teach the teachers!

In this connection your Committee would respectfully recommend special evangelistic efforts in the schools by the pastors, at least once a year, to attempt to gather the fruits of the labors during the year.

The other phase of Sunday School work referred to is the attempt to benefit others through the scholars, i. e.: the heathen, by means of the Missionary Societies. The result of this agency is the collection of much money for the cause that would not otherwise be collected. But we conceive this to be the least important part of the work. It creates a Missionary conscience and makes Missionary workers for the generations to come. That means accelerated effort, and accumulated means in the treasury in the future.

In order to impart the largest intelligence and awaken the most interest in this burning question, we would recommend that, wherever possible, the Schools meet once a month, at a different hour from that of the regular meeting, for holding specific Missionary meetings. Let suitable programmes be rendered bearing on some phase of Missions, in which the scholars shall take part. This plan will not only realize more money than the monthly collections in the schools, but, better still, it will educate the young and root out prejudice in the older as the monthly collection can not do.

Respectfully submitted.

R. L. FULTZ,  
JAS A. WILSON,  
REEVES CATT.

### On Finance.

Staunton—The report of the pastor shows the finances of Staunton Station to be in good condition. The envelope system is used, which though not worked quite up to the pastor's ideal, is effective in raising the fund for ministerial support regularly. The pastor's salary has been paid in full to date. The system of book-keeping is especially commended, as being well nigh perfect in neatness and accuracy.

East End and Marquis Memorial—Has the envelope system and the system is worked by the Stewards with marked fidelity and success. Nearly every member of the church is a regular contributor and the amount thus contributed is sufficient to enable the Stewards to meet their financial obligations at each Quarterly Conference.

Harrisonburg—Envelope system thoroughly worked. Settlements of all obligations made monthly.

Bridgewater—Has no particular financial system. This we regret to hear and hope by another year to have a different report.

Mt. Crawford-- Envelope system. Works well where Stewards urge it.

Paanassus - Has no uniform financial system. At some places envelopes are used successfully.

West Augusta—At some appointments collections are taken on preaching days. At others the Stewards make personal appeals before Quarterly meeting.

Augusta—Envelope system to some extent. Finances coming up right well to this time.

Luray—Envelope system used with success. This charge is to be congratulated on the wonderful success which it has attained in its finances in all respects. \$8,000.00 has been raised since last District Conference.

Waynesboro—Has adopted the system reported by Parnassus last year, viz: "Catch as catch can." Parnassus since last year has made some improvement. We trust Waynesboro by next District Conference will follow in the footsteps of Parnassus.

New Hope—This charge makes a very discouraging report, viz: "This Circuit has no thoroughly established plan or system of finance. At this time nothing is being done by the Stewards."

Rockingham—By assessment and subscription. It works fairly well.

East Rockingham—Has the envelope system, and it works fairly well. Our Church in McGaheysville is to be repaired soon; the improvements will cost over \$800.00. Our Church at Mt. Hermon in good condition. The parsonage needs repairs.

Elkton—Collection before Quarterly Conference which works fairly. We hope to improve the system.

Port Republic—No financial system, but has paid out for the past three years. This is remarkable.

Shenandoah—The envelope system is very well worked.

New Market—The envelope system and circular letter.

Mt. Jackson—No system for this year, but efforts are being made to have the Stewards adopt some definite plan.

Marksville—Has the assessment plan for ministerial support. Some pay and some do not. For other collections, every man pays as he purposeth in his heart. Some do not purpose to pay much, while others pay liberally.

Fairfield—No system and we suffer in consequence.

Goshen—Envelope system, assessment and personal appeal. No report as to success. These three plans combined should bring wonderful results.

#### CHURCH PROPERTY.

Staunton—Church property in good condition.

East End and Marquis Memorial—One Church in good condition. The other one soon will be.

Harrisonburg—Church property is in good condition.

Bridgewater—Church property in fair condition.

Mt. Crawford—Church in fair condition.

Parnassus—Four Churches in good condition.

West Augusta—Churches in good condition.

Augusta—Churches in good condition.

Luray—A new Church recently dedicated, costing \$10,000

Waynesboro—Church in good condition.

New Hope—Church in good condition.

Rockingham—Property in satisfactory condition.

East Eockingham—No report as to condition of Churches.

Elkton—Churches in fairly good condition.

Port Republic—Three new Churches; other two in good condition.

New Market—No report as to condition of Churches.

Mt. Jackson—Church property in tolerable good condition.

Marksville—Church in good condition.

Goshen—Church in good condition.

#### PARSONAGES.

All charges from whom we have reports, have parsonages, except East End and West Augusta. In the reports from preachers we have but a few references to insurance. We would call the attention of all our people to the importance of having their Churches and Parsonages insured.

The foregoing are extracts from the reports of preachers, made to your Committee. So few references are made to the *present* condition of the finances, as to prevent us saying anything to that point.

We would suggest that in all cases the financial plans, whatever they may be, be started at the very beginning of the Conference year. By so doing all demands can be easily met and there will be less prospect of deficiencies at the close of the year.

We wish we could say something in this report to urge our people to endeavor to pay up more closely the obligations resting upon them, and make our District compare more favorably with other districts in the Conference.

Our record at present is not at all creditable.

As many do not see the Minutes of the Annual Conference, we give some of the figures as shown in the Minutes of last year :

|                   | P. Elder. | Preachers. | Superannuated. | Bishops.    |
|-------------------|-----------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| Assessed,.....    | 1546      | 12057      | 1500           | 331         |
| Paid,.....        | 1412      | 10901      | 945            | 226         |
|                   | <hr/>     | <hr/>      | <hr/>          | <hr/>       |
| Deficiency, ..... | 134       | 1156       | 555            | 105         |
|                   |           |            | Educational.   | Missionary. |
| Assessed,.....    |           |            | 262            | 2791        |
| Paid,.....        |           |            | 157            | 1792        |
|                   |           |            | <hr/>          | <hr/>       |
| Deficiency, ..... |           |            | 105            | 999         |



This shows a deficiency of 17 per cent on the assessments.

Washington District, for the same year, showed a deficiency of but 4 per cent. Let us try and do better.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. HOUCK,  
R. L. STRATTON,  
P. W. JEFFRIES.

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### **On Epworth Leagues.**

Reports have been presented to the committee from nearly all the charges of the District and we are glad to note that the interest in the League is at least as great as was indicated by the reports of last year. Three more Leagues are reported this year than last. We believe this great work to be still in its infancy, and that it is destined to accomplish large results in the future. With a few notable exceptions the Leagues of the District are not as well organized as might be expected after a number of years of experimentation and growth. Many of them are only doing work in the first department. If the Leagues are the training classes for the future leaders of the Church, it is easy to see that the Church of to-morrow will not be guided by the well rounded and fully developed men and women in Christ if we only cultivate their hearts and neglects their hands and heads. We fully appreciate the difficulties surrounding the League work in some places, especially in the country, but it is a sufficient proof of the possibility of success in this field of Church work everywhere to note that in some places where conditions have been most unfavorable the very best and largest results have been secured. If our preachers and official members could be led to see and appreciate the vast possibilities in this department of Church work, we believe that there would not be an appointment in the District without a League working in all four departments.

We respectfully recommend--

First. That the attention of each preacher be called to his obligation with reference to the League work. The League is not primarily intended to do the work of the Church, but rather for training for that work. So that even if the League is a burden upon the time and labor of the pastor, it is still his

duty to foster and care for it. Let every pastor be a League pastor, using this means for cultivating all the powers of the young people of his charge.

Second. That the official members be reminded that they, as the leaders of the Church of to-day, owe a duty of care and sympathy to these, the leaders of the Church of to-morrow. Let it be remembered that the character of the League is to determine largely the character of the Church of the near future. Let there be no opposition, or even indifference, to this department of the Church on the part of the official members.

And, finally, we exhort the Leagues themselves to embody and live the spirit of the League, as it is set forth in the motto, "All for Christ." Nothing short of this will meet the needs of the Church to-day. There must be no compromise with sin, there is to be no half-hearted service, but the consecration of the whole life to the Master's service. Let us express the hope that our preachers and people will seek to inform themselves more and more in the spirit and method of Epworth League work, and together strive to train the young people of the Church for grander service and holier living.

We recommend the wider circulation of the Epworth Era, in the belief that this is one of the very best publications for young people in this country, and the best means of cultivating the spirit and extending the usefulness of the League.

F. J. PRETTYMAN.

J. J. RINGER.

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### On Education.

*Staunton*—F. J. Prettyman, P. C.: "Not a scholar of either sex attending any of our schools at present.

Quite a number ought to be at our schools, but the excellent educational advantages offered here prevent the parents from sending their children away from home.

Most of our young people are being well educated.

A collection has been taken for the 20th Century Fund, amounting to about \$800.00, and we feel safe in promising that the offering of this church will not be less than \$1,000.00."

*Harrisonburg*—J. R. Andrew, P. C.: "Know of but one young man going to Randolp-Macon Academy at the ap-

proaching session. Our youth feel that they are supplied with school advantages in Harrisonburg, high and select schools.

About \$800.00 so far on the 20th Century Fund, expect to raise \$1,000.00."

*Bridgewater.* J. C. Hawk, P. C.: "I know of only one who attends the Randolph-Macon College.

I am unable to give the number who ought to be trained in our institutions.

The collection for the 20th Century Fund is being taken and, with success, we trust."

*Mt. Crawford*—R. L. Fultz, P. C.: No students attending any of our schools and I know of no probable ones for the next session.

The 20th Century collection will be taken in the near future."

*Parnassus*—J. J. Ringer, P. C.: "One patron to our church school during the past year. I am unable to say as to the number of both sexes that should attend our schools. Quite a large number of students go from this charge every year, but they insist upon patronizing local and State Institutions.

Plans are being laid to canvass the whole charge in the interest of the 20th Century Fund. About \$25.00 has been subscribed."

*Augusta*—J. H. Dills, P. C.: "One student for the ministry in Randolph-Macon College.

Quite a number should be in the schools.

The 20th Century Fund offering, \$110.00 so far. Expect over \$150.00."

*Waynesboro*—H. S. Coe, P. C.: "Two private schools in this place—one male and one female—seem to satisfy our people.

Our people are not able to patronize distant schools, and our own schools at present come higher than non-sectarian schools, as University of Virginia and Washington & Lee University, &c.

Returns for the 20th Century Fund meager as yet."

*New Hope*—A. R. Martin, P. C.: "So far as is known to me, we have no pupils at church schools. There are young people of both sexes, but their parents are not able, or *think* they are not, to meet the expenses of a boarding school.

In regard to the 20th Century Fund, cards have been distributed. and preaching and talking has been done, and on July 26th a Rally of the Circuit will be held at New Hope."

*East Rockingham*—L. R. Jones, P. C.: "No young people at our church schools.

In regard to the 20th Century Thank Offering, we have circulated educational literature and distributed cards and hope to make a favorable report."

*Port Republic*—J. H. Smith, P. C.: "We have no patrons of Church schools.

We are working quietly on the 20th Century movement."

*West Augusta*—J. W. Canter, P. C.: "Two students, one at Front Royal Academy and one at Randolph-Macon College.

There are some girls and boys who would be at some of our institutions of learning if they had the means.

We are working on the 20th Century Fund; have raised something and hope to raise more."

*Luray*—H. H. Sherman, P. C.: "Three patrons of Front Royal Academy. Several others ought to be in our various Church schools.

20th Century offering has been taken.

\$8,000.00 raised and applied to the erection of new Church."

*New Market*—R. H. Wilson, P. C.: "No patrons to any of our schools.

There are a number of young persons of both sexes who are old enough to attend school.

The 20th Century collection is now being taken on this work."

*Mt. Jackson*—J. M. Hawley, P. C.: "We have no scholars at any of our institutions of learning. We want to send one young man to the Front Royal Academy shortly.

As yet we have done nothing for the 20th Century movement."

*Marksville*—R. L. Parrott, P. C.: "We have no pupils in any of our church schools; yet there are many boys and girls of our Methodist homes that should be. I am trying to persuade some to attend the next session.

We have begun work on the 20th Century Fund and hope to make a good report at the end of the year."

*Goshen*—A. L. Harnsberger, P. C.: "We are not acquainted with any persons within the bounds of our work that patronize our church schools. We do not know of any children who are able to patronize them.

We have preached on Education to our people, but have not made any special effort soliciting for the 20th Century Fund."

*East End and Marquis Memorial*—P. W. Jeffries, P. C.: "No scholars from this charge in our church schools, and I hardly think there are any young people specially eligible at present.

A good deal of information has been given to our people on the 20th Century Fund. We are arranging for a regular canvass and a Mass Meeting at each place."

*Elkton*—J. H. Wilhite, P. C.: "Two students; one at Front Royal, the other at Lynchburg. As to the number who ought to go, I cannot say.

20th Century collections in progress—not completed. Not very promising."

*Fairfield*—"L. R. Markwood, P. C.: "No report particularly from here on education. No patrons of church schools at present. There are plenty of youths here who ought to be in schools. I hope to be able to stir our people on this matter.

20th Century Fund is being worked by the plan adopted. Simply pressing the card plan and making enrollment of those who subscribe."

*Shenandoah*—"One student at Front Royal."

*Rockingham*—T. Cooper, P. C.: "So far as I can learn, only one student from this work attended the church schools last year, and that one was the preacher's son, to Randolph-Macon College. On this work are many youths of both sexes who ought to be trained in these schools.

Not much is doing for the 20th Century Fund. I am not prepared to report on subscription."

From the foregoing reports it appears that our Church schools are not receiving as large a patronage from this District as we might hope, or expect. The number of students attending our schools last year was about the same as the year before. We can but believe that the superior advantages

offered by our own schools are not fully appreciated by our people. If these schools were not as thoroughly equipped as others, or were below the standard of scholarship maintained by others, there would be some excuse for our people patronizing other schools; but we believe that the Randolph-Macon System offers equal advantages in the way of mental training to any institutions of learning in the land, and the Christian influence of our schools is of incalculable value to those who are put under their care. We fully believe that there are not to be found opportunities for the education of our young men and women equal to those afforded by our own schools.

In this connection we desire to call special attention to the 20th Century Movement. The opportunity presents itself upon the tide of a great world-wide movement to relieve our schools of their present indebtedness, and to further equip them for larger usefulness.

It is eminently fit that now at the close of a century which has been marked by such special indications of the divine blessing and favor that our people be called upon to make a free-will offering to the cause of God. And in view of the pressing needs for skilled workmen in the Master's Cause, it is evidently proper that such offerings should be devoted to the cause of Christian Education. We are glad to note that efforts are being made throughout the District to present this cause to our people, and that where the collections have been taken the churches have responded with a good degree of enthusiasm and liberality. We must continue the canvass throughout the District until every member is given an opportunity to contribute to this cause. The committee appointed by the Annual Conference for this cause in the District have adopted an admirable plan of campaign, and it is to be hoped that this plan will be fully carried out in every charge. First let the matter of Christian Education be fully and faithfully presented to the people from all of our pulpits. Next let the obligation for free-will offerings be duly stressed and let the cause be emphasized by holding special meetings in this interest. We also commend the idea, as appealing to the loyalty of every member of the church, of making a historic roll, which will contain the names of all who contribute as much as one dollar to this cause. We recommend that this roll be bound in the



journal of the District Conference, so as to preserve in permanent form the names of all who thus express their gratitude to God for all His blessings to us during the last century. It is to be hoped that no charge will report less than the amount estimated of a little over one dollar for each member as the least that could be expected of any body who is at all grateful for the blessings of the past and who desires to make a thank-offering to Him for all His blessings.

L. R. JONES,  
D. H. LEE MARTR,  
F. J. PRETTYMAN.

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### On Missions.

On the basis of *data* furnished your Committee, by the preachers in charge, the following report is presented:

1. As to Missions within the District:

There is, at present, no territory accessible to us calling for the establishment of a new mission charge, though some pastors are doing missionary work in connection with their regular charges.

Whereunto this shall grow, the future will reveal.

Of our twenty-one appointments, nine receive aid from the Conference Board of Missions this year; and the aid, in every case, seems to be necessary.

We feel sure, however, that a proper appreciation of the demands of the Lord upon their substance would force *a few* of these charges to hasten to a self-supporting position.

When we consider the fact that the Conference Board proposes to return to us for the maintenance of our Mission charges more than we put into their hands to aid in carrying the Gospel to the heathen, the time seems ripe for our people to pause, and think, and pray, and—

“ Say to their gold, the Lord hath need  
’Till hoarded treasures yield.”

2. A hopeful sign of the times is, the increasing effort on the part of the Church to develop and foster an intelligent interest in Missions in her young people and children in the Epworth League and Sunday Schools.

3. The women of our District, though diligent and



faithful in all matters pertaining to the Lord's cause around them, still linger in the rear in effort to establish and maintain that cause in the "regions beyond." We have but five societies auxiliary to the Conference Women's Foreign Missionary Society, viz: At Staunton, Harrisonburg, Mt. Crawford, Elkton and Luray. We note a suggestive fact—that, with but one exception, these charges paid their Foreign Missionary assessments in full last year.

Eight appointments report *Home Mission* societies, viz: Staunton, Harrisonburg, East End and Marquis Memorial, Parnassus, West Augusta, Rockingham, New Market and Valley Mills.

The showing is really pitiful, though not devoid of extenuating qualities, when we consider all the circumstances. The love and loyalty of our women to the Master cannot be questioned; but so many of them are "cumbered with much service" at home. The "better part" invites and awaits them—the broader view, the larger life, the earthly heaven that enwraps and enthralls those women who receive from the Master's lips, the commission to carry, even to a disheartened apostle, the glad news of the resurrection of his Lord.

A note of hope comes from some charges with reference to possible societies in the near future.

May the day soon appear, when from every charge in the Rockingham District word shall go forth that a band of consecrated women stately meets, to work and pray that the "kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ."

H. S. COE,  
JNO. S. RICHEY,  
I. B. KAGEY.

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### On Auditing Accounts.

The Committee appointed to audit the account of the Committee on Publishing the Minutes, desires to report they have examined said report and find it correct. The fact there is a balance of \$10.00 in the hands of our publishing committee, is evidence that the committee has done its work well.

If we are not exceeding our duties, we will recommend

that this Conference appoint a committee to publish the District Conference and Epworth League Conference minutes again this year, (provided the Epworth League Conference desires to unite with us,) and also to arrange for advertisements for next year in advance of the line of holding the Conference, thereby assuring an earlier publication of the minutes, and a possibility of realizing enough from advertisements to pay for publishing the minutes in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. KAGEY,  
REEVES CATT,  
JNO. W. CANTER.

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### **On Woman's Home Mission Society.**

There is one Society at each of the following places :  
New Market, Harrisonburg, Keezelltown, Mt. Sidney, Staunton, East End, Marquis Memorial and Valley Mills.

|                                                       |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Total number of Societies, .....                      | 8     |
| Number of adult members,.....                         | 104   |
| Increase,.....                                        | 67    |
| Number on Baby Roll, .....                            | 28    |
| Number of subscribers to Our Homes,.....              | 367   |
| Increase,.....                                        | 131   |
| Leaflets and papers distributed,.....                 | 1,005 |
| Number pledged to systematic and proportionate giving | 3     |
| Visits made,.....                                     | 70    |
| Patrons made during the year to Educational Endow-    |       |
| ment Fund, .....                                      | 7     |
| District meetings held,.....                          | 2     |
| Contributed to 20th Century Fund,.....                |       |
| Letters and postals written, .....                    | 200   |

While much remains undone, we are grateful for the interest manifested, and we can safely say that the work is in a healthy condition with an upward tendency.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. THOMAS COOPER,  
District Secretary.

### **On Quarterly Conference Records.**

The Committee on Quarterly Conference Records presents the following report :

The following Records were before us and examined : Shenandoah, New Market, Harrisonburg, Parnassus, Marksville, Luray, Mt. Jackson, Mt. Crawford, West Augusta, New Hope, Port Republic, Elkton, East Rockingham.

We notice the following:

Shenandoah—No official list for the year 1900-1901.

New Market—In answer to question 3 (see Report), but report is not recorded.

Parnassus—In answer to questions 3 and 4, (Answer. There is.) but reports are not recorded.

Luray. In answer to questions 3 and 4, Pastor answers, Yes; but no reports.

The other records were well kept, and some of them *very* well kept.

We are well pleased to see what we think to be an improvement in keeping these records.

We also notice that the decision of the General Conference is, that the President's own signature must be put to the Minutes of the Quarterly Conference records to make them legal.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. COOPER,  
L. R. MARKWOOD,  
JOHN W. KEYSER.

# MINUTES

:: OF THE ::

## Fifth Annual Session

:: OF THE ::

# Rockingham District Epworth League Conference,

:: HELD AT ::

LURAY, VIRGINIA,

August 2 and 3, 1900.

## PROCEEDINGS.

Conference met in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Luray, Va., Thursday, August 2nd, 1900, at 10 A. M., and was called to order by Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong, P. E.

### Roll of Delegates.

Those marked (\*) absent.

REV. JAS. E. ARMSTRONG, P. E., Staunton.

#### *Harrisonburg—*

Rev. J. R. Andrew,  
W. L. Yancey,\*  
Wm. Dean,\*  
W. B. Dutrow,\*  
Geo. N. Conrad,\*  
Mrs. T. O. Jones,\*  
Jno. G. Yancey, Jr.,\*  
Miss Maggie Taylor,\*  
Miss Maggie Dutrow,\*  
A. L. Taylor,\*  
Miss Jennie Lind,\*  
Miss Addie Messerley,\*  
Mrs. J. R. Andrews.\*

#### *Fairfield—*

Rev. R. L. Markwood,  
Miss Nellie B. Clemmer,  
J. E. Agnor,  
Walter Sutherland.

#### *Port Republic—*

Rev. J. H. Smith,  
James M. Connell,  
Mrs. J. H. Smith,  
Miss Maggie Wagner,  
Miss Lillie Armentrout,  
Thomas Lamb.

#### *Staunton—*

Rev. F. J. Prettyman.  
Miss May Maxwell,\*  
Miss Marvin Knowles,\*  
Miss Belle Stuart,\*  
Miss Lizzie Sheppe,\*  
Miss Lucy Bryan,\*  
Charles Knowles.\*  
J. L. Henderson,\*  
J. W. Marston,\*  
J. P. Carper,\*  
W. L. Livick\*.\*



REV. H. M. DuBOSE, D. D.,  
General Secretary of the Epworth League Board.  
....and....  
Editor of the Epworth Era.



*East End and*

*Marquis Memorial—*

Rev. P. W. Jeffries,  
Mrs. Reeves Catt,  
Reeves Catt,  
Miss Grace Jeffries,  
S. J. Strickler.

*Mt. Crawford—*

Rev. R. L. Fultz,  
W. E. Shinnick,  
Miss Nellie Linden,  
Chas. B. Keyser,  
Geo. B. Keyser,  
T. T. Kagey.

*East Rockingham—*

Rev. L. R. Jones,  
Clarence Jackson,  
Geo. W. Weust.\*

*Waynesboro—*

Rev. H. S. Coe,  
Jno. W. Dalhouse,\*  
S. T. Alexander,\*  
C. L. Harman.\*

*Augusta—*

Rev. J. H. Dills,  
Rev. G. H. Fielding,  
Miss Nannie Bateman,  
Miss Nannie Palmer,  
C. W. Fitch (visitor).

*Bridgewater—*

Rev. J. C. Hawk,\*  
Miss Bessie Bird,  
Miss Bertha Lowman,\*  
Miss Effie Campbell.\*

*Mt. Sidney—*

E. O. Shumake,  
S. P. McKee,  
J. E. Johnson,\*  
Jno. S. Richey.

*New Market—*

Rev. R. H. Wilson.

*Parnassus—*

Rev. J. J. Ringer.

*Keezletown—*

F. J. Arbogast,  
Miss Alice Koontz.

*Rockingham—*

Rev. Thomas Cooper,  
Mrs. Thomas Cooper,  
Walter Keezle—Junior.

*Goshen—*

Rev. A. L. Harnsberger,\*  
Rev. J. M. Kline,  
Lacey Campbell,\*  
Harry Ott,\*  
Miss Cora Welsh.\*

*Elkton—*

Rev. J. H. Wilhite,\*  
Miss Lettie Leet  
Miss May Yager.

*Luray—*

Rev. H. H. Sherman,  
Rev. Aaron Boone,  
J. A. Roller,  
Miss Mattie Walker,  
Marvin Campbell.

*Mt. Jackson—*

Rev. J. M. Hawley,  
N. W. Baker (visitor).

*Marksville—*

Rev. B. L. Parrott,  
Mrs. B. L. Parrott,  
H. L. Koontz,  
Mrs. Emma Hamrick,  
Mrs. Hattie Brubaker,  
Mrs. H. L. Koontz,  
Ernest Hamrick—Junior,  
Amos Koontz—Junior.



**Visitors at Large.**

Rev. W. S. Campbell, Virginia Bible Society.

Rev. B. D. Harrison, Sterling, Va.

Rev. W. H. Lanham, Sterling, Va.

Chancellor W. W. Smith, Randolph-Macon.

A temporary organization was effected by the election of Rev. F. J. Prettyman as chairman, and Samuel A. Walton as secretary.

Upon motion, the following committees were appointed:

On Enrollment—Rev. H. S. Coe, Rev. H. H. Sherman, D. E. Shinnick.

On Publication of Minutes—John S. Richey, Rev. R. L. Fultz.

It was ordered, that immediately after the Devotional Service to-morrow morning, the programme be taken up. The Conference then adjourned.

**FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.**

Conference met pursuant to adjournment in the church at 9 A. M.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. F. J. Prettyman.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Nominations—Rev. J. E. Armstrong, Reeves Catt, Miss Bessie Byrd, E. O. Shumake, Mrs. J. Harry Smith.

On Resolutions—Rev. R. L. Fultz, Miss Grace Jeffries, Rev. G. H. Fielding.

The following programme was then taken up:

General Topic—The Leaguer.

1. The Leaguer in the League as an embodiment of the League Spirit—John S. Richey, 10-10:20.

2. The Leaguer at School; Self Culture for Service—J. M. Kline, 10:20-10:40.

3. The Leaguer in Business; Wesley's Rule—Wm. Dean, 10:40-11:00.

4. The Leaguer in the Church; "All for Christ"—Rev. J. J. Ringer, 11:00-11:20.

General Discussion.

Business.

Rev. W. S. Campbell, Secretary of Virginia Bible Society, then addressed the Conference.

Adjourned.

#### FRIDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met in Church at 2:00 o'clock.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Reeves Catt.

Committee on Nominations made the following report, viz:

For President, Wm. E. Shinnick.

For 1st Vice-President, John A. Roller.

For 2nd           “           Mrs. Thomas Cooper.

For 3rd           “           Miss May Maxwell.

For 4th           “           Miss Grace Jeffries.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Nellie Linden.

Recording Secretary, S. A. Walton.

On motion, the report was adopted and they were declared elected.

The minutes of the morning session were then read and approved; after which the following programme was taken up.

General Topic—The League.

1. Worship in the League, or the First Department—Rev. G. H. Fielding, 2:20–2:40.

2. Work of the League in the Second Department—W. E. Shinnick, 2:40–3.

3. Reading and Self Culture in the League, in the Third Department—Miss Grace Jeffries, 3–3:20.

4. The Children in the League, in the Fourth Department—Mrs. J. H. Smith, 3–20–3:40.

Ordered that the minutes of this Conference be published, in connection with the minutes of the District Conference, provided a sufficient sum can be raised to justify it.

Committee on Enrollment made its report, (See Roll) and it was adopted.

Committee on Resolutions made the following report, which was adopted :

Resolved, That we most heartily recommend the Epworth Era to the Leagues of the District, as a most helpful paper in the work of the League and as an inspiration, in christian work in general.

Resolved, That we express our hearty appreciation of the hospitality shown us by the people of Luray during our stay in their midst and congratulate them, upon having recently dedicated their beautiful new church free of debt.

Resolved, That we respectfully ask for the papers of Miss Jeffries and Mrs. J. Harry Smith, and brief extracts from the other papers and speeches, for publication in the Minutes of Conference.

R. L. FULTZ,  
G. H. FIELDING.

The Superintendent of the Junior League reported 9 Junior Leagues in the District with 307 members, as follows :

|                     | League. | Members. |
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| Staunton,.....      | 1       | 60       |
| East End,.....      | 1       | 25       |
| Harrisonburg,.....  | 1       | 50       |
| Mt. Solon,.....     | 1       | 11       |
| Mt. Crawford,.....  | 1       | 36       |
| Waynesboro,.....    | 1       | 35       |
| Keezletown,.....    | 1       | 25       |
| Port Republic,..... | 1       | 45       |
| Marksville,.....    | 1       | 20       |

✕ 11 This is a decrease of 57 members since last report.

The Grottoes League has been abandoned for lack of suitable leader. This League numbered 65 members.

Twenty-one conversions reported in the Junior League during the year, and all doing good work.

Parnassus and Fairfield failed to report.

The Corresponding Secretary reported 16 Leagues, with 730 members, most of them organized in three departments, and doing good work, as follows:

|                      | League. | Members. |
|----------------------|---------|----------|
| Staunton,.....       | 1       | 125      |
| East End,.....       | 1       | 36       |
| Marquis Memorial, .. | 1       | 50       |
| Hammond Chapel, ..   | 1       | 23       |

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|-----------------------|---|----|
| Harrisonburg,.....    | 1 | 80 |
| Dayton, .....         | 1 | 32 |
| Mt. Crawford,.....    | 1 | 76 |
| Mt. Sidney,.....      | 1 | 18 |
| Waynesboro,.....      | 2 | 80 |
| East Rockingham,..... | 2 | 80 |
| Rockingham,.....      | 1 | 50 |
| Elkton,.....          | 1 | 20 |
| Luray,.....           | 1 | 35 |
| Port Republic,.....   | 1 | 25 |

The following charges made no report : Augusta, New Hope, Shenandoah, New Market, Mt. Jackson, Marksville, Fairfield and Goshen.

The roll was called for contributions for publishing the minutes, and \$11.50 was subscribed for the purpose.

A communication was read from Dr. S. S. Cox, stating that sickness prevented his attendance. The Secretary was instructed to make a suitable reply.

The time and place for holding the next Conference was left to the Presiding Elder of the District.

Adjourned.

#### FRIDAY, 8 P. M.

League Conference assembled at 8 P. M., and after devotional services, the following program was taken up :

General Topic—The League of the Twentieth Century.

1. Thank Offering—Rev. R. L. Fultz, 8:15-8:30.
2. Historic Roll—Rev. P. W. Jeffries, 8:30-8:45.
3. Christian Education—J. R. Andrew.

Adjourned with Doxology and Benediction.

## The Leaguer in the League as the Embodiment of the League Spirit.

BY JOHN S. RICHEY.

The spirit of the Leaguer should be *Enthusiasm* and should pervade and dominate all his work in the League.

Enthusiasm is a divine gift born of God, and its tendency is to uplift and without it no great work ever has or ever can be done

Enthusiasm can and ought to be cultivated : How ?

It is born of Faith.

Faith in God.—

Faith in God is not merely *belief*, but an all-powerful and strong confidence, in Him. A reaching out of the soul and heart that touches the divine helper and brings renewed zeal to the Leaguer.

Faith in our Churches : This strengthens the League, for every one is fitted for a special work, and failure on our part to encourage ability, weakens the influence of the whole body.

Faith in ourselves.—

Let us not underrate our own ability to do God's work. He has put us here and given us brains and personal attractions for a good purpose, and let us ask Him devoutly to aid us to a full appreciation of our ability to do the work that comes to our hands.

“So near is greatness to our dust,

So nigh is God to man.

When duty whispers low, ‘thou must,’

Faith quick replies, ‘I can’.”

Enthusiasm is increased by Prayer.—

Not the long cut and dried prayers we hear so often, but short, pointed, effective, prayers ! Know what you want and ask for it. Short prayers are the arms of the League and should be used like the Gatling gun—always loaded, always ready, far-reaching, and well aimed. Let us pray often reverently. The most effective prayers of which we have any

account, were the prayers of the publican and thief. Multum in parvo.

Enthusiasm is sanctified by Love.—

Love for God, who first loved us; unless we feed on this food we starve. Love for our fellow Leaguers, without which there is discord and disaffection; or that our hearts may be full of love and enthusiasm in our work.

Enthusiasm is strengthened by Work.—

This is what the League is organized for—work. Work for every member, and every member at work. Nature teaches us that we acquire strength only by use of our muscle and brain, and the Leaguer must work, or become weaker.

Let us then have no place for shirkers in our District, but let us each and all put our shoulders to the wheel.

“If you’re hankerin’ for the Vict’ry  
In the race of life; just grin  
When o’ercome by toil and trouble  
Set your teeth and try again.”

Is Enthusiasm possible?—

“The children of this world are wiser in their day and generation than the children of light”—they know the value of Enthusiasm. Look on the Politician and observe his way. The voice of his spellbinder is heard all over the land, painting in words that glow, the beauties of his candidate; and many of us, entranced by his spell will be tossing up our hats and shouting ourselves hoarse for men we don’t know and who have done nothing for us. Shall we then confess, with shame, that enthusiasm in the cause of our Lord and Master is impossible?

Enthusiasm is *necessary* to our life.—

The boy who wrote the composition on Pins, said: “They were instrumental in saving the lives of thousand of children, by not swallowng them.” So we might say of the Leagues that have been born, existed for a few short months, and then passed away from a sphere of possible usefulness, that they died of enthusiasm, by not having any.

Let us then awake to the possibilities that confront us in the future, and resolve to consecrate ourselves to this great work, with zeal and with enthusiasm.

## **The League in the Church, all for Christ.**

REV. J. J. RINGER.

We now take up the subject: "The Leaguer in the Church, all for Christ." If the public worship is for the purpose of instructing the people from the Bible for their development and growth in grace; if the Sunday School is the place where the truths of that word are taught, for the purpose of affording to the young life of the church an intelligent and systematic study of God's word; if the prayer meeting is an exercise which has for its supreme end the cultivation of a devotional spirit, then I have totally misapprehended the object of the organization of the Epworth League if it is not for the purpose of affording such opportunities for work, as shall develop holy lives for usefulness in the church of God. I have my subject assigned; and you will find my text in Section 6, paragraph 248 of the book of discipline. "Let Epworth Leagues be organized in our congregations, for the promotion of piety and loyalty to our church among the young people; their education in the Bible, and christian literature, and in the Missionary work of the church, and their encouragement in works of grace and charity." I do not know how it was intended this subject should be treated; I do not know how any one else would treat it, but I venture this statement, in which I am sure you will concur, that no institution, such as the Sunday School, was ever authorized in the Church by those who are at the head of affairs in the Church, but for the express belief that it would be a mighty forward movement in the work of the salvation of souls. The Sunday School is an integral part of the Church; so is the League an integral part of the Church, its work is the work of the Church; and its aims and purposes are identical with those of the Church.

The relation of the League to the Church, Dr. DuBose thinks is too simple to need exposition. "But as so much depends upon a right understanding of it, a few words cannot be out of place. The League is part and parcel of the Church, having its life from the Church; and it is in the strictest sense under its authority and direction. It is not proper to say the League *and* Church, but the League *in* the Church. In no true perception of their relations are they distinguished as



separate entities." We all know, we pastors especially, how much trouble we have in many congregations to find persons to do even the ordinary work of the Church sing, pray, teach and work for the conversion of souls. A godly layman said in my hearing a few days since, that the life of the Church is found in giving everybody something to do, and I may add, likewise in training them how to do it. So if the League is the spiritual training school of the Church, "Not only in matters of personal religious experience, but also in matters of needful knowledge, and the activities of christian service and ministry, then if this end be accomplished, is it not a most important achievement, and will it not contribute largely to the working force of the Church of Christ ?

My view of the Church and League is this: they exist for the purpose of mutual sympathy, and mutual support. After all, what is the work of the League but the work of the Church ? Does the Church endeavor to save souls ? And so does the League. Is it not the purpose of the League to throw such protection around those who compose it, as shall guide them aright during a period of life, that is especially a period of varied trial ? Is it not the business of the League to teach the young how to be good and useful, how to excel in works of grace and charity, and how to lead the life divine ? Is it not her work to help her subjects to conform their lives to the example of the Christ life, who shrink from no scene of trying duty, and who took the temptations of life as they came ? I have not as much patience, as probably I should have, with those found in every congregation, who are inclined to disparage the work of the League. It's Christ's work, it's Christ's cause, and it's in Christ's Church, it is "All for Christ" and the salvation of the race.

I would like to see a wonderful promotion of piety and loyalty to our Church on the part of our young people. We could easily bear it. Brethren, I would not be understood as intimating here to-day that all the good done in the world, is done through one instrumentality, but there are so many things in the Methodist Economy favorable to the glorious enterprise of effecting the salvation of men, that we need especially to teach it to our young people, and get them to learn to love it. Teach them to love their Church, her polity and doctrines. I

am so thoroughly committed to the task imposed by our economy, I have actually been made sick, by the opposition we sometimes encounter in some of the churches when attempting to do our work along the lines peculiar to our method of doing things. A good Leaguer in the Church is one who is loyal to the Church.

Again, many congregations have in them a number of young, and middle aged men, who would, many of them, almost quit the Church if called on to pray. Now if your leaguer, comes out of the League, into the Church, a praying man, or a praying women, and I know of no better place to learn the art of public prayer, it cannot be estimated how much *is* added, not only to the working force, but the spiritual force also. The crying need of the hour, I believe, is a generation of praying people, of large faith—people who meet the conditions of prayer, and who can prevail with God. If the League can furnish the Church in the next decade a half-million working, praying people, what may we not expect?

It will do us no hurt to secure to the immediate succeeding generations of Methodism some genuine practical training in works of grace and charity. Then it occurs to me we would be going back to first principles. A Church is getting to a critical stage when it has no poor on which to expend its charity. It is true this is not all that is embraced in the idea of this training in work of grace and charity, but it is part of it. Wesley and his co-laborers, following the example of Christ, did their work, not only in houses consecrated to sacred worship, but on street corners, in market places, and on tombstones; they not only did this, but they put themselves in touch with all classes of society, and the consequence was, that thousands of the poor, previously perishing for the bread of life, poured out from the alleys, factories, and the mines, and eagerly thronged around the man who cared for their souls. So this was the beginning of a revival of the work of God which continues to this day. And if we want to see a wonderful impulse given to the work again, as Leaguers, try giving it on these lines again.

The Church that becomes powerful and influential, is the Church that looks after the masses. My experience has been that if you want to save a man, no matter how great his intel-

ligence or dense his ignorance, the thing to do is to put yourself in touch with him.

In the course of time, hundreds of the sons and daughters of Wesley, designated as Epworth Leaguers, mightily consecrated to God, may turn their whole attention to this very work; visiting and cheering the sick, and those who are in prison, rescuing the perishing, lifting up the fallen, guiding and keeping the unstable. Would it not be a mighty force in the land! Even in my short experience in League work, I have seen the drunkard brought in and saved. It would not do us any hurt to raise up a few generations of Methodists, more thoroughly committed to Missions, than we have been. Most every man has his "hobby," and now I have come to mine. If I had my way about it, I'd try to fill the Church with Leaguers absolutely committed to this cause. And why? Because the call is louder than at any time since Jesus went away, for the Church to rouse up and not miss her long-looked for opportunity, and I believe with another, if a veritable prophet of God were commissioned to deliver a divine message to the Church in our day, a large part of that message, if not the whole of it, would be upon this subject that is agitating Protestant Christianity more than anything else.

If we review the history of the Church in the past, we can find in it many unmistakable signs of God's presence and power; but I think the present history of the Church is as full of God as any period ever was, and I hope I am not saying too much when I say the missionary movement is as much a divine inspiration as any great event recorded in the sacred records. Of course, the Church is accustomed to take sweet counsel with, and gather inspiration, courage and comfort directly from her divine Lord. Yet she can gather much inspiration and find much to arouse and direct her energies, from the special message of the ages in which she lives. To-day the whole world is ringing the cry, like the "voice of many waters," calling the Church to an aggressive campaign, or world-wide activity, which shall finally end in universal conquest and peaceful occupation. I will tell you the reasons why I covet for all our Leaguers a double portion of Missionary spirit. The scenes have shifted until the situation is just this—The Church is now, right now, passing

through the most critical stage in her history. She is engaged in a life or death struggle for the spiritual championship of the world. The Church is now engaged in a contest with her spiritual foes, that is rapidly assuming a world-wide magnitude. And I will tell you why the Church cannot afford to fail or even falter. It would result in immense loss of prestige, and O! the painful dishonor that would be heaped upon the name of Jesus Christ. Talk about the Church withdrawing from China as some papers would like to intimate! The Church with her inspiring story of toil and sacrifice! I would rather die to-day than see the Church withdraw from China. Every sceptic would see an additional reason to doubt; every infidel would find another occasion to scoff; and do we realize how difficult it would be, should the Church of Christ sound a retreat, or even proclaim a truce in this great conflict of Missions to convince the world that Christianity is not one of the various human religions which has now in its day had its turn and failed in accomplishing the purpose for which it was professedly established.

On the other hand, let us note well that the success of the Missionary enterprise, will be in itself the invincible apologetic argument of the age!

In conclusion, Fellow-Leaguers, as Christ gave himself for the Church, we should be willing to give ourselves for service in the Church. Let us go forth, "bearing precious seed, sowing beside all waters." If we do this we shall come again rejoicing, bringing our sheaves with us.

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### **The Children in the League in the Fourth Department.**

BY MRS. HARRY SMITH.

The Fourth Department or The Junior Epworth League was organized for the purpose of bringing the children within reach of the high principle taught in the Senior Epworth League.

The mind that projected this Department must have been inspired; and the thought must have come from the heart of Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Happy the Church that takes hold of the boys and girls and weaves about their little minds and hearts the strong web of religious influence and early bade them, like the mothers of old to Jesus—to receive his blessing and benediction. This the great Methodist Church has undertaken anew through the Junior Epworth League; with what success, will be seen in the strong, sturdy, loyal character of the future Church.

When we think that Jesus came among us a tiny, helpless babe, and grew to childhood as other children grew; then to youth and manhood, and though he was the busiest preacher the world has ever known, yet he never permitted even His sacred word as it crowded upon him, to shut out the recollection of his childhood.

So we find Him moving back the circle of adult listeners, that he might take the infant and nestle it on his own bosom and lay the hand of love upon the children about Him—there to leave to His servants, not only this—one of the most magnificent pictures and one of the most striking scenes in his life, but that all-important lesson. We must rise to the condition of child-faith, or we cannot enter the great Kingdom.

As we look upon the child-side we find that willingness to go to Jesus is strikingly manifested, showing the natural outgoing of love from innocent hearts toward the Being that presented so loving and sweet a face; and whose voice was so full of winning tenderness.

This gives us one of the secrets of drawing and winning the child heart. In the loving, sweet manner of approach and the tender greeting that shows to the child an open heart, and in that heart a place for itself.

If we are to follow in the footsteps of our Lord we must have an open and attentive ear to the needs of child-life, to catch the cry of the little one and bend down to soothe, caress and supply.

It is said by those who ascend in balloons that it is interesting to note the order in which the sounds of earth die away. The hoarse call of men's voice, the lowing of the cattle, the clang of bells, the sharp shriek of steam whistle, the roar of train, the deep bass of the great city's mingled noises—all these die away before the high treble of children's voice—become indistinct and silent.

The last sound from the earth to reach the ears of these travellers in aerial spaces is the cry of a child. It reaches highest toward the heaven. God loves a child-call above all others. Christ loves the little ones and expressed that love in the exquisite words quoted above.

The child-cry has reached the ear of the Father. He hears and gives his Church, for which he works, the means to supply.

That means is found in the Junior Epworth League.

The children in the League.

What are we to do for them and with them?

### I.

We are to remember that we stand in the presence of an immortal soul, the salvation of which depends somewhat at least, how much we cannot know on our prayer and effort.

This brings us face to face with the responsibility laid upon us.

Again, we remember that the child is about to start out on its journey for life—it has two roads to choose between, with a destination at the end of each. 'Tis the work of the League to point out the narrow way, to guide the little feet therein, to watch over them, to instruct, to hold Jesus before them and tenderly entwine the heart's affections about Him, to point out the good and train them in the principles of right by urging them to "*do this*", instead of so much, "*don't do that*." Many a child is shown an evil it would not see, but for the often, injudicious counsel, "Now, don't do that," instead of turning the gaze of the child to the pure, beautiful and noble; and say, "*do this*."

Under the question, What are we to do for them? We must consider our example and its influence.

There is no better way to enforce our teaching than by example. No surer way to destroy the faith of a child in the good, than by failure to do as we teach; and the influence of our example is immense and eternal. Illustration—

My Sunday School teacher dances, a young girl said, in defense of the thing that was dragging her to destruction.

I see the big men smoke, a tiny boy said, in reply to the question, Why do you smoke?



I drank my first glass of wine at your table, father, said a lad, as he lay suffering from delirium tremens.

I don't want you to pray for me, a dying boy said to his Sunday School Superintendent. Your example led me to the theatre and I owe my damnation to you.

The child is quick to note defects, and while they may not at all times understand them, nevertheless, the impression has been made upon the mind of wax and in later years will be clearly read and understood.

Influence—We seek to influence them, by teaching and example, for Christ. This we can do; this we must do.

## II.

What can we do with them?

Experience teaches us that we can do most anything we wish, after having gained their confidence and love. We are to keep before us constantly the future of the child in his relation to the Home, the Church and the Community, and the instruction and training given accordingly.

In relation to the Home—Seconding the efforts of parents, teaching them obedience and practical expressions of love; to be young helpers in the home.

In relation to the Church—To understand what the Church is for and what part they have in it; teaching them how to lead and take charge of the various meetings, then laying the foundation for better and more active Church members. Training the children to be workers.

In relation to the Community—Teaching them that they form a part of the community, and to live in it and act as become ladies and gentlemen; to refrain from doing anything to disturb the peace and quiet of any community.

We then have an opportunity in the League to train the children from all sides, that they may grow up into full-rounded men and women. Good Citizens, Good Christians and Good Workers—forming the happy combination—Good, Working, Christian Citizens.

Some practical suggestions or methods might not be out of place in a paper on this important subject.

What we do in our Junior League and the success we have, under the blessing of God.



What we do.

We are old enough as a Junior League to be able to speak with a degree of certainty and confidence on some of our methods. Our League has been organized three years.

We began with instructing the children in Bible truths, through the means of a little booklet entitled, "Bible Exercises for the Young," A Gospel Alphabet, 23rd Psalm, &c. At the beginning of each six months we map out a line of study we wish to pursue, and I believe we have generally accomplished what we have undertaken. One thing we kindly, but positively insist upon—"Order", and we stress punctuality. We think little can be accomplished without the strict observance of this rule.

We are three years old and have had as many anniversaries. The exercises consist of a public examination of the Junior League in the studies pursued during the year, and a short address delivered by our pastor.

During the past three years we have had two picnics each summer. This year we gave them a hay-ride, and we expect to give them a watermelon feast. We find these to be helpful.

July 1st we were prepared to enter upon our new lines of study for the next six months.

We open our exercises with the Apostle's Creed. We always have a Gospel Alphabet. When we learn one, we make another, and are now studying our fourth. The League has learned the 1st, 23rd, 117th and 100th Psalms, and are now studying the 121st.

At our last anniversary, one of the Juniors recited the 25 articles of religion, another 17, and several as many as 6. Our Department of Practice is doing good work; every Sunday afternoon, flowers are brought to the League and at the close of the meeting the chairman of this Department gives them to her Committee for distribution among the sick and aged. The sick Juniors are remembered first; if there are no sick, the aged are cheered and gladdened, by these bright, and fragrant flowers, living ornaments of earth. A card with a selection from the scriptures accompany the flowers.

We have the "Department of Instruction," which consists at present, of a "Bible Circle," organized to continue for three months. This Circle meets on Thursday from 2:30

to 3:30, at the Parsonage. The larger members of the Junior League attend. On the 1st of September we will have an examination of three month's studies. Our Junior meetings are held every Sunday afternoon, beginning promptly at 3 o'clock. The Juniors lead the meeting; but come to the Parsonage for instruction, previous to leading; at which time we make a personal application of the lessons.

Eight of our Juniors in the past six months, have given their hearts and lives to Jesus. This is the first and most important work of the Junior League.

The first Sunday in each month is our Missionary Day. Reports from each of the Departments are read, and a free-will offering made. Our League has been self-supporting from the time of its organization.

One of the features of our League, is the Star Board, for marking punctuality, deportment, &c. For example: On time is marked with a blue star. Reciting verse in answer to name, at roll call, and good deportment, with silver star on top of blue. If late: pink star. If sick or distant and send verse of scripture, orange star. If absent without a verse, a black star. At the end of month, if all silver stars have been secured, they get a gold star. The Star Board works admirably—the Juniors taking great interest in it.

For two years we used the Sand-Chart with success, in illustrating our lessons; since then we have used the black-board or objects. The mind and heart of the child are instructed through the eye. We find the lessons in Epworth Era very helpful. Most of our Missionary programs are gathered from "The Little Worker," a most excellent little paper, published by our Publishing House and issued for 20 cents a year.

After the closing exercises the Juniors, with an organ accompaniment, march out in an orderly manner.

No more important department of Church work than that of the Junior Epworth League; in which the boys and girls are taken at just the right age, when head and heart can be best and easiest trained; the time when the child is most trustful and when they most readily respond to kindness and love.

But this work requires the very best preparation of brain and heart—the 1st by study and planning; the 2nd by prayer.

No one is fitted to meet the children in the Fourth Department and do even their partial duty, without this preparation. This takes time and thought; yes, but time and thought expended in behalf of a life, a heart. 'Tis such work, as filled a Father's heart; occupied a Saviour's time. Does the work pay? Come with me and look into the bright eyes of innocence, trustfulness and love. See before you souls for whom Heaven emptied itself of its dearest treasure; realize to some extent, the possibilities wrapped up in each little life. See that life unfolding day by day, being influenced and controlled and directed by the sacred truths instilled into it. Then realize, if you can, the joy that fills the heart of the worker, as the boys and girls yield themselves to the Christ and become little followers, of the lowly loving Jesus, and your question is answered.

From the boys and girls of the Fourth Department are to come the future Church; and upon their training rests the usefulness or failure of the Church. For the building up of the church membership, is from within and not without.

Lord increase our zeal. Grant us wisdom in great measure and unlimited patience and love. Raise up for this Department of thy Zion such as shall be able to point the children to Him who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

The Devotional Committee with its work is the foundation of all League work. Many things must be considered in the light of our past experience and in the light of the various helps at our command.

The pastor must be in perfect sympathy with League work, must acquaint himself with the qualification of each Leaguer. None the less important is a live president, one who will make his work a study and will find out the demands and requirements of each member of the League. Let none but Christians constitute the committee. Have a sub-committee to do missionary work and have charge of the missionary meetings. The time is coming in the history of our Church when it will serve its best purpose as a recruiting station.

Have good, live singing, frequent prayers, both in private and public, short talks; but about all, be devotional. Let the spirit of devotion prevail in the entire assembly.

Have a firm confidence in your work, remembering that the blessings are promised not to the successful but always to the faithful worker. Keep constantly in view that for which you work. The salvation of souls, strengthening of Christian character. Train the people to know our Church and they will love it, and their character will develop into strong men and women, who will be "All for Christ."

## Second Department.

BY WM. E. SHINNICK.

The Second Department of the Epworth League is valuable and important, as its name indicates—Charity and Help. This implies, labor and love; both of which are highly commended by Him, who is head over all. One of the sacred writers lays especial emphasis on works. St. James says, "Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works." This indicates that work is a twin brother of faith, and they, together with their Sister Charity, or Love, form the three stars emblazoned upon the banner of the Church.

Let me suggest a few lines, one or more of which we might follow with pleasure to ourselves and joy to others. Can we sing? If so, why not use the voice God has given us to praise Him, and comfort His people; in cheering some lonely sufferer, who may be denied the privilege of hearing and enjoying it in the Sanctuary. Can we read? If so, why not go to some afflicted one and cheer his heart by reading to him such books, or chapters, as may be most comforting to him. Can we pray? If so, why can we not go to some burdened souls and with them seek the Lord, and help them to find "peace, sweet peace, the gift of God's love."

God has promised a blessing to him who giveth a cup of water in love. My sister, you can carry a bunch of flowers to some sick friend or acquaintance. You may soothe a crying child, comfort a soul in trouble, visit those in prison and show your interest by attending upon the meetings of your League.

The saving of a human life, the training of a mind; what a glorious work it is. The saving of a little child, the infant Moses, by the King's daughter, and his training by his mother under the direction of the Lord, raised up a Prince and a deliver. The saving of a brother's life gave Joseph an opportunity to nourish and bless his family in time of famine and distress. The rescue of Wesley from a burning house opened up a way in which many souls were saved from a burning hell.

May all our Leagues increase in wisdom, love and power for good, and may our desire be, a League at every appointment and all the people in the League. As individual and

united Leaguers may we be active in labor, wherever "faith can see or love can work," and when at life's close our spirits wing their homeward flight, may they not go down behind a darkened west, but upward like the morning star, and melt away in the brightness of Heaven, to rest from our earthly labors, and be rewarded forever, in the presence of our Lord.

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### **Reading and Self-Culture.**

BY MISS GRACE JEFFRIES.

We wish to present this afternoon some phases of the work of the Third Department of the League, and the subject given for this paper is—"Reading and Self-Culture."

In the Report on Epworth Leagues given at the District Conference, last Wednesday, the following statement was made: "We find in many of our Leagues the First Department is the only one that is worked, and while fully recognizing the limitations and difficulties under which many of them labour, we must also remember, that the Leaguers of to-day will be the Church of to-morrow, and that if we cultivate the hearts only of our young people, and neglect the heads and the hands, we cannot expect to have well-rounded and fully developed men and women in Christ, as the leaders of the Church in the near future."

We are very proud of our Department, not so much for what it is, as for what it will be. We claim the future of our Leagues and Leaguers, and, through them, the future of the Church and of the world.

The difficulty in taking up the subject of Self-Culture is, that there is so much to be said about it. It is so many sided one hardly knows which side to take. Our object in meeting together here in this League Conference is, we take for granted, eminently practical. We are not here simply for intellectual or social enjoyment, nor to invite discussion nor debate on merely interesting subjects. We wish to discuss subjects, from the discussion of which we may take away ideas and suggestions which we may each carry out in our own Leagues when we return to them, so that not only those present, but every League here represented may feel the benefit of this Conference.

With this object before us it does not seem necessary to speak of Reading and Self-Culture with reference to those who are anxious for Self-Culture.

The means for Self-Education have been so systematized that, given only two qualifications—that the individual can read—and that he has the desire to educate himself, I do not believe that any circumstance of time, ability or money, can prevent any man, woman or child from becoming cultured, and nothing is simpler than to show them how to do it.

But, with the thought of being practically useful, the report given at the Conference on Wednesday, suggested the thought of the work of the Third Department in the Leagues which have to work under difficulties and limitations, and it seems well to consider the question of Reading and Self-Culture with regard to them.

What are the Difficulties? What are the Limitations? We believe that all who have tried to do good work in this Department will agree that there is only one difficulty that is worth considering, that appears sometimes almost insurmountable, it is the want often on the part of those with whom we have to do of any desire for Self-Culture. The question on which we should like to give or receive information at this Conference is, How can we, in our work, arouse the desire of Self-Culture in those who have it not? If we could only do this, the old adage, "Where there's a will, there's a way", would prove as true in this case as it has done in every other.

We will try to suggest some means, and perhaps at the close, others who have been more successful, will be able to make some suggestions which will enlighten us.

The first suggestion we would make is, Try and make people thoroughly discontented with themselves. As long as we are contented we never progress. It needs a paradox to contain a whole truth, so you will excuse my saying, "The happiest thing in the world is to be discontented." To want something you have not, provided always you have the means of getting it. We all remember the tale of our school days, how Alexander the Great when he had conquered all the known world wept because there were no more worlds to conquer. Those in whom the desire for Self-Culture is aroused



can have no such experience—to them no such day can come; new worlds are constantly opening before them, for to use the Chautauqua Motto, "Education ends only with Life."

But while discontent with one self and one's own acquirements is a most powerful factor in arousing one to Self-Culture, a very little knowledge of human nature shows us, we must be very careful, if it is to have the desired effect, that discontent is not followed by discouragement. There is hardly anything more pathetic than to see one aroused to a sense of his own deficiencies, feeling how little he knows—of how much he is ignorant—while at the same time he sees no way out. A sense of our own deficiencies has either a most stimulating, or a most depressing effect, according to the way in which we use it, and here we have one of the most distinct and important duties of the Third Department of the League. Having first of all aroused our members to a sense of all there is to be done, to show them how to do it, and how easy it is to do it.

I maintain that Self-Culture is easy, provided we have two essentials.

The first is, that we are willing to make an effort. You remember Dickens in *Dombey & Son* makes Mrs. Chick say to Mrs. Dombey, "You know my dear it is necessary to make an effort, sometimes a great and painful effort which you are not disposed to make, but then this is a world of effort you know—all life is making an effort." We smile, but it is true. If we are to do anything for this world or the next, we must make an effort. No one yet ever drifted to anything worth having, we must rouse ourselves.

Secondly. We must not in reading confine ourselves to what we like nor even always to what we understand. It does not sound orthodox but nevertheless we believe it is true. If there is a book we ought to have read let us go through it, even if we do not understand it all. We shall understand some of it, more than if we had not read it, and our minds will grow with the effort.

In this sense we may quote Browning's words :

"A man's reach must be beyond his grasp  
Or what is the use Heaven."

Dr. DuBose said at the Annual Conference: "If through the League you induce the Leaguers to read one good book in



the year you have done a good work." We all know the distinction between the books we want to read and the books we want to have read. If one would grow mentally they must take the books they want "to have read."

This is we know all theory, and the question still confronts us. How is it to be done.

We do not know, we mean to try, and if we don't succeed to try again, and go on trying till we do succeed.

If we can only create a conscience in this matter! Get the Leaguers to feel that the extent of their usefulness, all other things being equal, depends on their culture; that their culture depends on their reading, and that in matters mental as in matters moral, we must give an account of our stewardship. "That there is no bondage like ignorance, no inheritance like knowledge." That we must give an account of what we have left undone, what we might have done as well as what we have done. To remember that in doing our duty in this field of Self-Culture we are following Christ, and as in every field we must be willing to deny ourselves and take up our cross—then we may believe to use the words of our Manual in speaking of our Third Department:

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## I.

Along in November, when chill was the weather,  
Two Ballots were cast in a box together;  
They nestled up close like brother to brother,  
You couldn't tell one of the votes from the other.

## CHORUS.

They were both Rum votes,  
And sanctioned the license plan;  
But one was cast by a jolly old brewer,  
And one by a Sunday School man!  
(My! My!)

## II.

The Sunday School man—no man could be truer—  
Kept busy all Summer denouncing the brewer;  
But his fervor cooled off with the change in the weather,  
And late in the Autumn they voted together.  
(And the Devil smiled.)

## III.

The Sunday School man had always been noted,  
For fighting saloons—EXCEPT WHEN HE VOTED;  
He piled up his pray'rs with a holy perfection,  
Then knocked them all down on the day of election.  
(Then prayed, "Thy Kingdom come.")

## IV.

The foxy old brewer was cheerful and mellow,  
He said: "I admire that Sunday School fellow;  
He's true to his Church, to his party he's truer—  
He talks for the Lord, but he vote for the brewer!"  
(Sure.)

## POSTSCRIPT.

If every man would vote the way he prays,  
The campaign wouldn't last a hundred days.  
Oh! 'Twould be a Waterloo for distiller and for brewer,  
If the *praying* man would vote the way he prays.

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